

Supervision	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Adults present	62	78	D-	C+
Easily viewed	87	67	B+	D+
Crawl spaces	76	43	C	F
Supervision rules posted	6	7	F	F
Overall Grade: Supervision			C-	D
Age-Appropriate Design	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Had separate areas	28	44	F	F
Signage for age group provided	0	5	F	F
Provided change of direction	94	94	A	A
Had guardrails	89	83	B+	B-
Prevented climbing outside the structure	28	65	F	D
Supporting structure prevented climbing on	30	66	F	D
Overall Grade: Age - Appropriate Design			D+	C -
Fall Surfacing	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Suitable materials provided	76	68	C	D+
Heights of equipment 8 feet or lower	NA	83	NA	B-
Appropriate depth of loose fill	36	20	F	F
Six foot use zone had appropriate surface	60	78	D-	C+
Concrete footings were covered	71	92	C-	A-
Free of foreign objects	76	80	C	B-
Overall Grade: Fall Surfacing			D+	C+
Equipment Maintenance	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Free of broken parts	67	77	D+	C+
Free of missing parts	75	80	C	B-
Free of protruding bolts	76	75	C	C
Free of noticeable gaps	76	64	C	D
Free of head entrapments	64	70	D	C-
Free of rust	54	71	F	C-
Free of splinter	71	62	C-	D-
Free of cracks/holes	84	96	B+	A
Overall Grade: Equipment Maintenance			C-	C

Playground Equipment Profile*		
Year of installation	2004	
Pre 1980	9%	
1981-1990	25%	
1991-1994	47%	
1995-1997	12%	
1998-present	25%	
Not available	2%	
Kinds of Equipment**	2000	2004
Slides	98%	92%
Swings	64%	60%
Horizontal ladders	51%	51%
Sliding poles	49%	27%
Chinning bars	31%	21%
Seesaws	23%	17%
Merry-go-rounds	20%	13%
Geodesic domes	22%	16%
<p>⁵ * The number in these columns indicates the percentages of the year of installation. These may contain a combination of different installation years at each playground site. NA represents percentages that are not available.</p> <p>** The numbers in these columns reflect percentages of equipment pieces were found.</p> <p>Grading Scale: A=90-100 B=80-89 C=70-79 D=60-69 F=59></p>		



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