

Supervision	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Adults present	70	100	C-	A+
Easily viewed	100	81	A+	B-
Crawl spaces	98	52	A	F
Supervision rules posted	10	16	F	F
Overall Grade: Supervision			B-	C
Age-Appropriate Design	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Had separate areas	32	39	F	F
Signage for age group provided	2	15	F	F
Provided change of direction	100	86	A+	B
Had guardrails	100	82	A+	B-
Prevented climbing outside the structure	83	84	B-	B
Supporting structure prevented climbing on	93	84	A-	B
Overall Grade: Age - Appropriate Design			B-	C
Fall Surfacing	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Suitable materials provided	78	52	C+	F
Heights of equipment 8 feet or lower	NA	94	NA	A
Appropriate depth of loose fill	51	0	F	F
Six foot use zone had appropriate surface	68	47	D+	F
Concrete footings were covered	93	94	A-	A
Free of foreign objects	95	68	A	D+
Overall Grade: Fall Surfacing			C+	C-
Equipment Maintenance	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Free of broken parts	83	55	B-	F
Free of missing parts	83	74	B-	C
Free of protruding bolts	90	77	A-	C+
Free of noticeable gaps	95	67	A	D+
Free of head entrapments	78	73	C+	C-
Free of rust	100	37	A+	F
Free of splinter	100	100	A+	A+
Free of cracks/holes	86	96	B	A
Overall Grade: Equipment Maintenance			B+	C

Playground Equipment Profile*		
Year of installation	2004	
Pre 1980	7%	
1981-1990	31%	
1991-1994	24%	
1995-1997	16%	
1998-present	41%	
Not available	7%	
Kinds of Equipment**	2000	2004
Slides	95%	94%
Swings	88%	77%
Horizontal ladders	44%	26%
Sliding poles	33%	19%
Chinning bars	16%	10%
Seesaws	23%	6%
Merry-go-rounds	8%	3%
Geodesic domes	8%	0%
<p>* 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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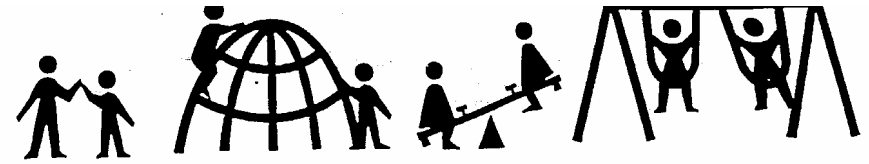
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