

<b>Supervision</b>	<b>2000 %</b>	<b>2004 %</b>	<b>2000 Grade</b>	<b>2004 Grade</b>
Adults present	89	80	B+	B-
Easily viewed	92	93	A-	A-
Crawl spaces	92	69	A-	D+
Supervision rules posted	8	0	F	F
<b>Overall Grade: Supervision</b>			<b>B-</b>	<b>C</b>
<b>Age-Appropriate Design</b>	<b>2000 %</b>	<b>2004 %</b>	<b>2000 Grade</b>	<b>2004 Grade</b>
Had separate areas	79	22	C+	F
Signage for age group provided	0	0	F	F
Provided change of direction	100	100	A	A+
Had guardrails	87	96	B+	A
Prevented climbing outside the structure	54	92	F	A-
Supporting structure prevented climbing on	50	93	F	A-
<b>Overall Grade: Age - Appropriate Design</b>			<b>C-</b>	<b>B-</b>
<b>Fall Surfacing</b>	<b>2000 %</b>	<b>2004 %</b>	<b>2000 Grade</b>	<b>2004 Grade</b>
Suitable materials provided	48	85	F	B
Heights of equipment 8 feet or lower	NA	93	NA	A-
Appropriate depth of loose fill	11	0	F	F
Six foot use zone had appropriate surface	33	83	F	B-
Concrete footings were covered	91	100	A-	A+
Free of foreign objects	93	85	A-	B
<b>Overall Grade: Fall Surfacing</b>			<b>D+</b>	<b>B</b>
<b>Equipment Maintenance</b>	<b>2000 %</b>	<b>2004 %</b>	<b>2000 Grade</b>	<b>2004 Grade</b>
Free of broken parts	66	96	D	A
Free of missing parts	63	89	D-	B+
Free of protruding bolts	89	89	B+	B+
Free of noticeable gaps	48	63	F	D-
Free of head entrapments	70	82	C-	B-
Free of rust	78	95	C+	A
Free of splinter	78	70	C+	C-
Free of cracks/holes	96	100	A	A+
<b>Overall Grade: Equipment Maintenance</b>			<b>C</b>	<b>B</b>

<b>Playground Equipment Profile*</b>		
<b>Year of installation</b>	<b>2004</b>	
Pre 1980	13%	
1981-1990	22%	
1991-1994	15%	
1995-1997	0%	
1998-present	56%	
Not available	15%	
<b>Kinds of Equipment**</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2004</b>
Slides	100%	96%
Swings	100%	70%
Horizontal ladders	52%	59%
Sliding poles	48%	26%
Chinning bars	22%	19%
Seesaws	41%	37%
Merry-go-rounds	7%	0%
Geodesic domes	19%	7%
<p><sup>5</sup> * 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&gt;</p>		



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