

<b>Supervision</b>	<b>2000 %</b>	<b>2004 %</b>	<b>2000 Grade</b>	<b>2004 Grade</b>
Adults present	86	100	B	A+
Easily viewed	100	88	A+	B+
Crawl spaces	100	47	A+	F
Supervision rules posted	0	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	65	67	D	D+
Signage for age group provided	6	0	F	F
Provided change of direction	50	70	F	C-
Had guardrails	71	88	C-	B+
Prevented climbing outside the structure	51	74	F	C
Supporting structure prevented climbing on	78	81	C+	B-
<b>Overall Grade: Age - Appropriate Design</b>			<b>D</b>	<b>C</b>
<b>Fall Surfacing</b>	<b>2000 %</b>	<b>2004 %</b>	<b>2000 Grade</b>	<b>2004 Grade</b>
Suitable materials provided	17	33	F	F
Heights of equipment 8 feet or lower	NA	100	NA	A+
Appropriate depth of loose fill	10	0	F	F
Six foot use zone had appropriate surface	22	61	F	D-
Concrete footings were covered	36	93	F	A-
Free of foreign objects	96	79	A	C+
<b>Overall Grade: Fall Surfacing</b>			<b>D</b>	<b>C</b>
<b>Equipment Maintenance</b>	<b>2000 %</b>	<b>2004 %</b>	<b>2000 Grade</b>	<b>2004 Grade</b>
Free of broken parts	87	54	B+	F
Free of missing parts	78	71	C+	C-
Free of protruding bolts	100	67	A+	D+
Free of noticeable gaps	83	26	B-	F
Free of head entrapments	86	61	B	D-
Free of rust	85	28	B	F
Free of splinter	89	67	B+	D+
Free of cracks/holes	90	80	A-	B-
<b>Overall Grade: Equipment Maintenance</b>			<b>B+</b>	<b>D</b>

<b>Playground Equipment Profile*</b>		
<b>Year of installation</b>	<b>2004</b>	
Pre 1980	14%	
1981-1990	19%	
1991-1994	14%	
1995-1997	19%	
1998-present	52%	
Not available	13%	
<b>Kinds of Equipment**</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2004</b>
Slides	42%	75%
Swings	88%	50%
Horizontal ladders	33%	4%
Sliding poles	13%	4%
Chinning bars	0%	0%
Seesaws	13%	13%
Merry-go-rounds	38%	13%
Geodesic domes	13%	8%
<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&gt;</p>		

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**C**

**2004**

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