

Supervision	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Adults present	100	100	A+	A+
Easily viewed	89	89	B+	B+
Crawl spaces	88	71	B+	C-
Supervision rules posted	22	11	F	F
Overall Grade: Supervision			B	C+
Age-Appropriate Design	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Had separate areas	40	100	F	A+
Signage for age group provided	0	0	F	F
Provided change of direction	67	88	D+	B+
Had guardrails	67	75	D+	C
Prevented climbing outside the structure	56	71	F	C-
Supporting structure prevented climbing on	63	78	D-	D-
Overall Grade: Age - Appropriate Design			D-	C
Fall Surfacing	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Suitable materials provided	33	44	F	F
Heights of equipment 8 feet or lower	NA	100	NA	A+
Appropriate depth of loose fill	14	13	F	F
Six foot use zone had appropriate surface	25	50	F	F
Concrete footings were covered	29	71	F	C-
Free of foreign objects	67	50	D+	F
Overall Grade: Fall Surfacing			D-	D+
Equipment Maintenance	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Free of broken parts	56	56	F	F
Free of missing parts	56	44	F	F
Free of protruding bolts	67	50	D+	F
Free of noticeable gaps	88	11	B+	F
Free of head entrapments	67	44	D+	F
Free of rust	50	33	F	F
Free of splinter	75	100	C	A+
Free of cracks/holes	80	63	B-	D-
Overall Grade: Equipment Maintenance			C-	D

Playground Equipment Profile*		
Year of installation	2004	
Pre 1980	0%	
1981-1990	22%	
1991-1994	22%	
1995-1997	22%	
1998-present	44%	
Not available	NA	
Kinds of Equipment**	2000	2004
Slides	78%	89%
Swings	56%	78%
Horizontal ladders	89%	44%
Sliding poles	33%	44%
Chinning bars	11%	22%
Seesaws	33%	33%
Merry-go-rounds	22%	0%
Geodesic domes	22%	11%
* 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.		
** The numbers in these columns reflect percentages of equipment pieces were found.		
Grading Scale: A=90-100 B=80-89 C=70-79 D=60-69 F=59>		

Mississippi's School Grade:

2000
C-

2004
C-



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