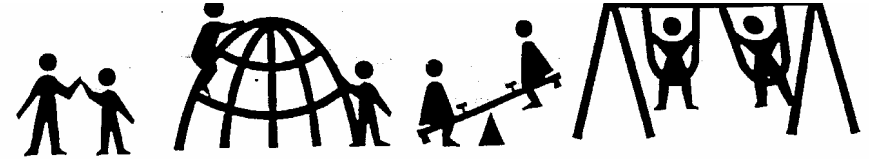


Supervision	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Adults present	56	80	F	B-
Easily viewed	100	78	A+	C+
Crawl spaces	98	73	A	C-
Supervision rules posted	7	7	F	F
Overall Grade: Supervision			C+	C-
Age-Appropriate Design	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Had separate areas	37	32	F	F
Signage for age group provided	0	14	F	F
Provided change of direction	94	99	A	A
Had guardrails	90	95	A-	A
Prevented climbing outside the structure	63	95	D-	A
Supporting structure prevented climbing on	77	95	C+	A
Overall Grade: Age - Appropriate Design			C	B-
Fall Surfacing	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Suitable materials provided	81	90	B-	A-
Heights of equipment 8 feet or lower	NA	92	NA	A-
Appropriate depth of loose fill	55	37	F	F
Six foot use zone had appropriate surface	73	78	C-	C+
Concrete footings were covered	86	98	B	A
Free of foreign objects	86	99	B	A
Overall Grade: Fall Surfacing			C	B
Equipment Maintenance	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Free of broken parts	14	91	F	A-
Free of missing parts	85	89	B	B+
Free of protruding bolts	88	97	B+	A
Free of noticeable gaps	89	91	B+	A-
Free of head entrapments	96	94	A	A
Free of rust	49	66	F	D
Free of splinter	31	70	F	C-
Free of cracks/holes	69	98	D+	A
Overall Grade: Equipment Maintenance			C	B+

Playground Equipment Profile*		
Year of installation	2004	
Pre 1980	1%	
1981-1990	4%	
1991-1994	29%	
1995-1997	27%	
1998-present	42%	
Not available	2%	
Kinds of Equipment**	2000	2004
Slides	94%	97%
Swings	94%	64%
Horizontal ladders	18%	45%
Sliding poles	41%	33%
Chinning bars	12%	13%
Seesaws	18%	10%
Merry-go-rounds	24%	9%
Geodesic domes	0%	9%
<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. For example, 18% of all playgrounds had some piece of equipment that was installed during the years 1981-1990. NA represents percentages that are not available.</p> <p>** The numbers in these columns reflect percentages of equipment pieces were found. For example, 87% of all playgrounds had slides and 71% of all playgrounds surveyed had swings.</p> <p>Grading Scale: A=90-100 B=80-89 C=70-79 D=60-69 F=59></p>		

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