

Supervision	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Adults present	100	97	A+	A
Easily viewed	100	93	A+	A-
Crawl spaces	100	81	A+	B-
Supervision rules posted	2	0	F	F
Overall Grade: Supervision			B	B-
Age-Appropriate Design	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Had separate areas	76	0	C	F
Signage for age group provided	9	0	F	F
Provided change of direction	98	88	A	B+
Had guardrails	100	92	A+	A-
Prevented climbing outside the structure	66	89	D	B+
Supporting structure prevented climbing on	68	91	D+	A-
Overall Grade: Age - Appropriate Design			C+	C+
Fall Surfacing	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Suitable materials provided	47	43	F	F
Heights of equipment 8 feet or lower	NA	100	NA	A+
Appropriate depth of loose fill	17	26	F	F
Six foot use zone had appropriate surface	45	37	F	F
Concrete footings were covered	98	80	A	B-
Free of foreign objects	94	68	A	D+
Overall Grade: Fall Surfacing			C-	B
Equipment Maintenance	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Free of broken parts	92	86	A-	B
Free of missing parts	87	91	B+	A-
Free of protruding bolts	87	86	B+	B
Free of noticeable gaps	100	80	A+	B-
Free of head entrapments	100	75	A+	C
Free of rust	100	74	A+	C
Free of splinter	100	80	A+	B-
Free of cracks/holes	100	98	A+	A
Overall Grade: Equipment Maintenance			A	B

Playground Equipment Profile*		
Year of installation	2004	
Pre 1980	8%	
1981-1990	8%	
1991-1994	15%	
1995-1997	25%	
1998-present	50%	
Not available	9%	
Kinds of Equipment**	2000	2004
Slides	100%	98%
Swings	72%	39%
Horizontal ladders	22%	16%
Sliding poles	9%	11%
Chinning bars	6%	0%
Seesaws	21%	18%
Merry-go-rounds	4%	14%
Geodesic domes	9%	2%
<p>⁵ * 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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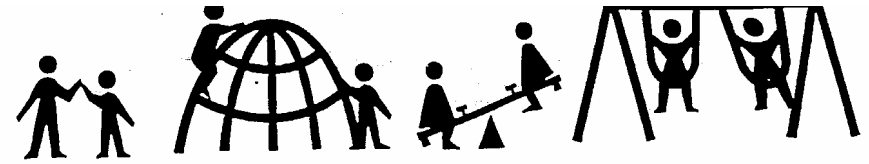
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2004

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