

MCLB ALBANY SAFETYGRAM



National Playground Safety



The U. S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) has long recognized the potential hazards that exist with the use of playground equipment. Below are the statistical results from the Injury Incident Database:

TYPE OF INJURY	INCIDENTS REPORTED	PERCENTAGE
Falls	1,180	44%
Equipment-Related	630	23%
Other	297	11%
Incidental	221	8%
Collision	187	7%
Entrapment	176	7%
Total	2,691	100%



PLAYGROUND SAFETY TIPS

- Supervise children on playgrounds.
- Inspect playgrounds where your children play.
- Look for hazards such as rusted or broken equipment and sharp or hot surfaces.
- Dress children appropriately by removing necklaces, purses, scarves or clothing that can become an entanglement point.
- Ensure that children use age-appropriate playground equipment.
- Avoid playgrounds with non-impact absorbing surfaces, such as asphalt, concrete, grass, dirt or gravel.

WARNING



Children have died when drawstrings on their clothing caught on slides or other playground equipment.

Remove hood and neck drawstrings from children's clothing before children play on a playground.

Remove scarves and mittens connected through the sleeves.



For more information, visit www.playgroundsafety.org, or click on the slide to the right, or scan the QR code to the left.



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