

2007: The Year of the Recall

An examination of children's product recalls in 2007 and the implications for child safety

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Executive Summary

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During 2007, there were 448 recalls, and 231 or 52% of those were for children's products. This percentage is up from last year as more attention was focused on lead in toys and other children's product hazards. The majority of children's product recalls were for children's toys. 2007 saw over 100 recalls due to excessive levels of lead in nursery items, toys, jewelry, and art supplies.

Other findings in this report include:

- ➤ 2007 saw the largest crib recall in history, one million Simplicity and Graco cribs. Three deaths were included in the recall announcement, more came to light later.
- Magnetix magnetic building sets that led to the death of a child from internal injuries after swallowing the tiny magnets were recalled again this year. There were 1500 other reports and 28 injuries prior to this second recall.
- > Seventeen percent of the recalls took place after a child had been injured or killed. For nursery products, 48% of the recalls were preceded by injuries or death and for sporting goods, 53% of the recalls involved injuries.
- ➤ In all, these recalls involved 657 injuries, an increase of 374% from last year. Considering that the lead recalls (109 of the 231 recalls) involved no injuries, that is a particularly disturbing trend.
- ➤ In 2007, 12 children's product recalls involved one million or more units.
- ➤ Operating without a quorum for much of the year, CPSC did little to strengthen rules, assess fines, or bring strong leadership to the issue of product safety. Congress instead took the lead, crafting legislation to increase funding as well as strengthening CPSC's role in keeping dangerous products off the shelves.

KID concludes these findings with suggestions for parents and caregivers including: checking www.cpsc.gov for recall reports, spreading the word to family and friends, and keeping updated with www.KidsInDanger.org for the latest updates. The full recall report is available for download at www.KidsInDanger.org or by calling KID at 312.595.0649.

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Introduction

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This report will document 2007 data on recalls, comparing it to past years and showing the vast array of recalled products. While lead-contaminated toys got the majority of the press coverage, deadly cribs, magnetic hazards and simply poorly designed products were also pulled from the market, many after causing excruciating injuries and even death.

All numbers in the report are from the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission press releases of recalls.

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission

Congress created the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) in 1972 under the Consumer Product Safety Act (CPSA), and CPSC began operating in 1973. In the Act, Congress directed CPSC to protect the public "against unreasonable risks of injuries associated with consumer products."

CPSC has jurisdiction over more than 15,000 types of consumer products, and is charged with protecting consumers from products that pose fire, electrical, chemical, or mechanical hazards or can injure children. Nancy Nord is the current acting Chair of the CPSC with Thomas Moore as the only other commissioner. Since 2006, CPSC has been operating at this crippling level which doesn't allow them to take action, since they lack a quorum. While CPSC was granted special consent by Congress in July 2007² to take action with only 2 commissioners, it expired this month.

Even with permission from Congress, CPSC fined only one children's product manufacturer in 2007, Fisher-Price, for failure to report incidents with their Little People© Animal Sounds Farm. A tiny screw could come loose, posing an aspiration hazard. At the time of the recall in 2003, there were 34 reports of loose screws, including one emergency surgery to remove it from a child's lung.

CPSC has come under much scrutiny in 2007 after a series of high profile recalls, the subsequent delay in removing dangerous products from store shelves, and the alarming number of total recalls.

¹ 2001 Survey of Illinois Voters, Coalition for Consumer Rights. September 2001

² HR 1, Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007

2007: Year of the recall

2007 saw the greatest number of recalled products since KID began keeping count in 2001. Only 2004 saw a higher total number of units recalled because of one recall of 150 million vending machine trinkets. Otherwise, this year's 46 million items dwarfs past years. The percentage of recalls that were children's products, 52%, also jumped, close to the previous high of 55%, in 2001. CPSC averaged more than four children's product recalls a week, more than double the average rate in every year since 2001. For most recalls, a press release is often the only action taken to reach consumers. Past experience would indicate that there are conservatively 30 million of this year's recalled products still in homes and child care facilities.

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Year	Total Recalls	Total Children's Product Recalls	% Children's Product Recalls	Units of Recalled Children's Products
2007	448	231	52%	46,562,901
2006	318	111	35%	18,967,210
2005	329	123	37%	27,891,188
2004	277	87	31%	156,169,990
2003	214	66	30%	6,140,691
2002	210	90	43%	11,155,631
2001	214	118	55%	22,992,667

A series of newspaper articles in the *Chicago Tribune*³ helped set the stage for this year of the recall. The first, by Patricia Callahan, drew attention to the hazard that magnets pose to children and CPSC's and manufacturers' slow response to the threat. Despite reports of the dangers of magnets in toys to CPSC as early as 2005, CPSC took no action until March of 2006, and then it only issued a weak, confusing recall, leaving dangerous products on store shelves. It wasn't until almost two years later that a full recall was announced. More news reports followed on cribs, car seats and lead in toys. These focused Congressional and public attention on the CPSC in a way never seen before. CPSC responded with recalls based on the hazards outlined in the newspaper stories, and media outlets around the country began to take a closer look at children's product safety.

Toys lead children's product recalls

Toys represented 45% of the children's products recalled last year and were 23% of all product recalls. By units, toys were 64% of children's product recalls; over 30 million individual toys were found to be dangerous for children. While the toy industry touts that even that large number is a tiny fraction of the number of toys they sell each year, it still appears to be an avalanche of danger for children.

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³ Tribune Investigation: Hidden Hazards, Kids at Risk. www.ChicagoTribune.com/safety.

Table 2: 2007 Recalls

	# Recalls	% of Total Recalls	% of Children's Product Recalls	# of Units
All Recalls		100%	-	-
Children's Recalls	231	52%	100%	46,562,901
Toys	104	23%	45%	30,061,510
Nursery	29	7%	13%	4,147,380
Sporting Goods	15	3%	6%	366,381
Clothing	32	7%	14%	1,628,900
Furniture	3	.5%	1%	37,800
Jewelry	34	8%	15%	7,652,670
Art Supplies	9	2%	4%	753,060
Other	5	1%	2%	1,915,200

^{*}Jewelry and art supplies are separated for 2007, but included in the toy figures in the following chart, as they were in past years.

Recalled Products by Type: 2001-2007

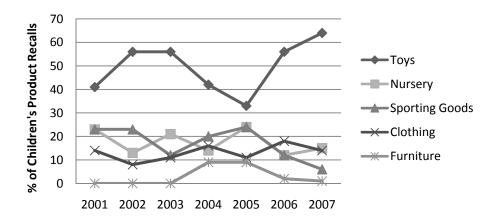


Figure 1: Recalled Products by Type: 2001-2007

Huge recalls grab public attention

There were twelve recalls involving one million individual units or more. The largest, 7.3 million Polly Pocket dolls and accessories by Mattel, was due to the risk of magnetic ingestion. At the time of the recall, the company reported three serious injuries from these products and over 400 reports of product failure. The second largest recall was for 4.2 million Aqua Dots beading sets from Spin Master, tainted with a chemical that induced comas in children; followed closely by Mega Brands second recall of four million Magnetix building sets, linked to one death and 28 severe injuries caused by magnet ingestion or aspiration. The largest recall for lead tainted products was four million 'Groovy Grabber' bracelets by A&A Global Industries. Of the recalls involving

over one million units, there were three each for magnet ingestion and lead poisoning. Together these recalls were responsible for 125 known injuries and four deaths.

Table 3: Top ten children's product recalls by unit in 2007

Product	Manufacturer	# Injuries	Hazard	# Units
Polly Pocket dolls				
and accessories	Mattel Inc.	3	Magnet ingestion	7,300,000
Aqua Dots	Spin Master	2	Poisoning	4,200,000
Magnetix sets	Mega Brands	28 (1 death)	Magnet ingestion	4,000,000
"Groovy Grabber"	A&A Global			
Bracelets	Industries	0	Lead poisoning	4,000,000
Thomas & Friends				
Railways ⁴	RC2 Corp.	0	Lead poisoning	1,700,000
Cub Scouts Totem	Kahoot Products			
Badges	Inc.	0	Lead poisoning	1,600,000
"Laugh and Learn"				
Bunny Toys	Fisher-Price	0	Choking	1,200,000
Doggie Day Care				
play sets	Mattel Inc.	0	Magnet ingestion	1,000,000
	Easy-Bake,			
Easy-Bake Oven	(Hasbro	82	Entrapment/Burn	1,000,000
Cribs (12 styles)	Simplicity Inc.	7 (2 d41)	Entrapment	1,000,000
Cribs (12 styles)	Dunkin' Donuts	7 (3 deaths)	Entrapment	1,000,000
Pink and Orange Glow Sticks	LLC	0	Choking	1,000,000
Bumbo "Baby	Bumbo			
Sitter" Seats	International	3	Bodily Injury	1,000,000

Fisher-Price and parent company Mattel lead recall list

Thirty-eight manufacturers recalled more than one product in 2006. This is up over 600% from seven in 2006. Mattel led the industry with 13 total recalls – seven under the Fisher-Price brand and six Mattel branded products. Schylling, RC2, and Target all recalled five products each.

⁴ Two recalls. RC2 first recalled 1.5 million of the popular trains in June and had to announce a recall of an additional 200,000 in September, including a bonus train given in response to the first recall.

Table 4: Multiple (4+) recalls by manufacturer (2007)

Manufacturer	# of Recalls	# Units	Hazards	Injuries
Fisher-Price	7	2,585,900	Lead poisoning, entrapment, choking	64
Mattel	6	10,256,000 Magnet ingestion, lead poisoning		3
RC2	5	1,960,800	Lead poisoning, fall	12
Schylling Associates Inc	5	81,700	Lead poisoning	0
Target	5	899,300	Choking, lead poisoning, laceration	0
Dollar General	4	1,031,000	Lead poisoning	0
Jo-Ann Stores	4	119,060	Lead poisoning	0

Lead hazards involved in nearly half of children's product recalls

With the attention on lead in children's products this year, it is not surprising that poisoning led the list of hazards involved in recalls. Almost half (49%) of the recalls were because of poisoning. Of the 112 poisoning hazard recalls, only three were for substances other than lead. Aqua Dots bead kit was recalled because it contained a toxic chemical that transformed into the date rape drug when ingested – sending two American children into comas. A fake eye ball was recalled because it contained kerosene and a boy's jacket because the attached compass contained mineral oil that can be poisonous.

Eleven products were recalled that contained magnetic ingestion hazards, a relatively new hazard as toy manufacturers turned to powerful NIB magnets with little thought to the potential hazards – sending 32 children to surgery to remove the small parts from their intestines and lungs and killing Kenny Sweet in November 2005.

Choking, a leading cause of product-related death among young children, accounted for 16% of the recalls. Bodily injury including falls, laceration and impact, accounted for 17%. The totals add up to more than 100% because some products were recalled for more than one hazard. For instance, recalled jackets had compasses that could break, posing both a choking hazard and a poisoning risk as the liquid inside is toxic. All the burn hazards this year were from clothing that failed to meet federal flammability standards.

Table 5: Children's product recalls by hazard (2007)

Hazard	# of Recalls	% of Children's Product Recalls	# of Units	% of Units
Poisoning	112	49%	21,482,410	46%
Bodily injury (fall, laceration, impact)	40	17%	3,238,491	7%
Choking, aspiration	38	16%	5,402,160	11%
Strangulation, entrapment, entanglement	27	12%	2,924,340	6%
Magnet ingestion	11	5%	13,520,400	29%
Burns	8	3%	1,414,500	3%

Manufactured in....China mostly

A few headlines from 2007:

Mattel recalling more Chinese-made toys over lead paint, tiny magnets As More Toys Are Recalled, Trail Ends in China More lead-tainted toys made in China removed from shelves Chinese toys toxic

Why are so many Chinese-made products recalled? Primarily, it's because so many products are made in China. For the 47% of children's products recalled last year due to lead poisoning, most of them made in China, the country of origin did play a role in the defect – it is impossible to get lead paint in the U.S. But it is available in many other places. But for the other 53% of recalls, most of them were design defects – magnets that can come loose, cribs that fall apart, clothing that doesn't meet flammability standards. Those cannot be blamed on Chinese factories, but on U.S. companies that designed a bad product or failed to test for possible problems.

Of the 231 recalled children's products, 35 were manufactured somewhere other than mainland China, including seven that were made at least partly in the US.

Country of Origin of Recalled Products

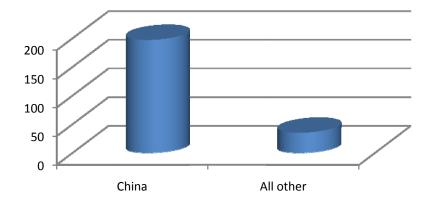


Figure 2: Country of Origin

1 report, 2 reports....679 reports before a recall

Looking at all children's products recalled last year, there were 4,466 reports of product failures prior to the 231 recalls, an average of 19 per recall. Reported incidents can involve injury, but don't always. It means the product failed in some way that presented a hazard, or it was reported as hazardous by a consumer. However, none of the recalls for lead paint reported any incidents, all were found through testing. Looking just at products for which incidents were reported and may have lead to the recall, there was an

average of 28 incidents per recall before the product was pulled from shelves. The chart below shows those recalls that involved the most reports of incidents prior to recall.

Table 6: Children's products with the most incidents reported before recall (2007)

Manufacturer	Product	# Incidents	Hazards
			Magnet
Mega Brands	Magnetix building sets	1,500	ingestion
	Evenflo Embrace Infant		
Evenflo Company Inc.	Car Seat / Carriers	679	Bodily Injury
	Polly Pocket dolls and		Magnet
Mattel Inc.	accessories with magnets	400	ingestion
Easy-Bake, a division			
of Hasbro Inc	Easy-Bake Oven	278	Entrapment/Burn
Stokke LLC	Xplory Baby Strollers	258	Bodily Injury
	Above-Ground Pool		
Intex Recreation Corp	Ladders	172	Bodily Injury
	Soft Block Tower Toys (on		
Graco Children's	Baby Einstein Activity		
Products Inc.	Centers)	137	Choking
Artcraft and Foremost			
Inc.	Sippy / Tumbler Cups	90	Choking
	Wendy Bellissimo		
Bassettbaby	Convertible Cribs	85	Entrapment
Simplicity Inc.	Cribs (12 styles)	65	Entrapment
	Rainforest Open Top Take-		
Fisher-Price	Along Swings	60	Entrapment
	Parents Magazine Record-		
Battat Inc	A-Voice Toy Cell Phones	54	Choking

The high number of reports of Magnetix incidents highlights an important fact about recall notices. Often, the last information the public will get about a product's hazards is in the recall notice. So if the CPSC takes action after one incident, or even before incidents are reported, it looks as if there is little trouble with the product. When CPSC first recalled Magnetix in 2006, they had only 34 incidents – although one was a death and four were serious injuries. A year later when they expanded the recall, they reported over 1500 incidents including many more injuries. The same is true for the Easy Bake Oven. It was first recalled in February after 29 reports of entrapments, including 5 burns. When they changed the remedy and re-announced the recall in July, they had an additional 249 reports of entrapments including 77 burns, one severe enough to result in an amputation.

This gives a rare glimpse into the secrets held at CPSC. For the other recalls that aren't repeated, it is virtually impossible to get that information and so the earlier lower estimates are all that are available. These two 'double' recalls show that CPSC may be under reporting the number of injuries and incidents involving recalled products.

Hundreds of children injured while products remain in stores

While the huge increase in toy recalls for lead paint got a lot of media attention, no injuries were attributed to these recalls. Unfortunately, this isn't because no injuries occurred, but because it is unlikely that parents and health care providers can narrow down the source of lead if a child's level is high or even recognize the damage as coming from lead. Overall, injuries were up 374% from last year: from 177 to 657. Considering that almost half the recalls, those that involve lead, had no reported injuries, that is a disturbing trend. In particular, nursery products (48%) and sporting goods (53%) recalls were most likely to be after injuries or death.

Table 7: Injuries and deaths prior to recall by product type

Туре	Recalls	Injuries	Percent of recalls involving injuries
Children's Products	231	40	17%
Sporting Goods	15	8	53%
Nursery	29	14	48%
Furniture	3	1	33%
Toys	104	16	15%
Clothing	32	1	3%
Jewelry	34	0	-
Art Supplies	9	0	-
Other	5	0	-

Individual products had frighteningly large numbers of injuries prior to being pulled from store shelves, homes and child care centers. The Evenflo Embrace car seat had the most injuries, 160, including skull fractures and concussions.

Table 8: Products involving the most injuries, including deaths, prior to recall

Manufacturer	Product	# Injuries	Type of Injury
Evenflo Company Inc.	Embrace Infant Car Seat / Carriers	160	Skull fracture, two concussions, cuts, scrapes and bruises
Intex Recreation Corp	"Intex, "Easy Set and "Sand N Sun" Above-Ground Pool Ladders	127	Lacerations requiring up to 21 stitches, bone fractures, back injuries, torn ligaments, sprained ankles, and other minor injuries
Easy-Bake, a division of Hasbro Inc	Easy-Bake Oven	82	Burns, including second and third- degree; one report of a serious burn that required a finger amputation
Graco Children's Products Inc.	Soft Block Tower Toys (on activity centers)	81	Choking, gagging, ingesting plastic
Fisher-Price	Rainforest Open Top Take-Along Swings	60	Cuts, bumps, bruises and red marks

Manufacturer	Product	# Injuries	Type of Injury
	Sky Ranger Park		Ear pain or hearing loss; burns to
	Flyer Radio		hands, faces or eyes; chest impact
Estes-Cox Corp	Control Airplanes	33	from debris; eye injuries; and cuts.
	Magnetix building		Intestinal perforation and blockage,
Mega Brands	sets	28	lung perforation
	The First Years		
	Newborn-to-		Falls
	Toddler Reclining		raiis
RC2 Corp.	Feeding Seats	12	
Simplicity Inc.	Cribs (12 styles)	10	Entrapment, death
Artcraft &	Next Step Sippy		Cuts and scrapes
Foremost	Cups	6	Cuts and scrapes

Spotlight: Crib recalls

There should be no margin for error in the design or manufacture of cribs and portable cribs. These products are intended to safely protect unsupervised infants -- parents must depend on them completely. But should they? There were six recalls involving cribs or crib mattresses in 2007 and one involving millions of portable cribs.

Table 9: Crib and Portable Crib Recalls (2007)

Recalled Product	Hazard	Units	Incidents	Injuries and Deaths
Song Lin Ind. Sleigh Round Crib	Mattress set too high, fall hazard	180	0	0
Simplicity Nursery in A Box Crib	Faulty instructions, side rail can detach, entrapment hazard	40,000	1	0*
Stokke Sleepi Crib Foam Mattresses	Mattress too small, gap can cause entrapment	1,000	0	0
NettoCollection Moderne and Loft Cribs	Crib slats can separate, entrapment hazard	400	3	0
Simplicity and Graco Cribs (12 models)	Side rail detaches, entrapment	1,000,000	65	7 injuries, 3 deaths
Bassettbaby Wendy Bellissimo Crib	Bolts come loose, entrapment hazard	8,900	85	1
Kolcraft portable cribs	Strap on changing table can cause entrapment	425,000	46	1 death

Simplicity had two crib recalls last year, including one for over one million units. In the last three years, there were four Simplicity crib recalls (some cribs were even recalled twice in this period), at least four deaths, numerous reports of injuries, product defects including hardware failure, drop-side detachment and mattress support failure, and hazards such as choking, falls, suffocation and entrapment.

When CPSC announced a recall of one million cribs in September after at least three deaths, they said the hazard was so urgent that no child should sleep for another night in the defective cribs. But parents had to wait...and wait...and wait. It was thirty days before the company began to offer a repair kit and KID is aware families still waiting. Worse yet, durable products like cribs can remain out in the stream of commerce for years - ticking time bombs that could hurt a child at any time. And yet CPSC has taken no action against the company beyond the recalls.

Table 10: History of the Simplicity Crib Recall

Date	
April 2005	Liam Johns dies in his Graco Aspen 3 in 1 crib
December 21, 2005	CPSC recalls the Graco branded Aspen 3 in 1 crib , not for the flaw that killed Liam but for mattress support flaws
January 6, 2006	A Washington State boy dies in the Aspen 3 in 1 crib from the mattress support flaw, just weeks after the recall
November 2006	A Georgia baby dies in a Nursery-In-A-Box Crib
June 6, 2007	CPSC recalls 40,000 Nursery in a Box cribs for faulty instructions that allow the side to be put on upside down – a contributing factor in the Johns and Georgia's deaths, but the Aspen 3 in 1 was not included in this recall
September 2007	Simplicity recalls 1 million cribs, 12 models, including both the Nursery in a Box and Graco Aspen 3 in 1. The company stresses in the press release that the cribs were put together wrong and have an older version of hardware, although there are incidents involving cribs put together correctly and/or with the new hardware.
September 2007	Chicago Tribune carries major investigative piece on the Simplicity cribs. It was questioning from the reporter that finally got CPSC to look at the crib in the Johns death and they announced the recall just prior to the publication of the article.
October 2007	CPSC and Simplicity have no fix for the problem in place. Customers who report the faulty recalled crib must wait over a month until a 'fix' is available. This retrofit is to be mailed to all consumers, many of whom have problems with the wood and hardware of their cribs. Refunds or replacement cribs are not offered in most instances.
February 2008	CPSC refuses to release information on the progress of the Simplicity recall. KID is aware of families still waiting for the fixes for their cribs. CPSC refuses to say if kits have been mailed out, if further injuries have taken place or what actions Simplicity is taking to remedy the situation.

Conclusion

This report details what is known about recalls in 2007. However, what it reveals about what is not known and available in public information is just as important. For instance, recall notices are often inaccurate, or omit vital information, such as indicating when the manufacturer learned of the flaw in their products, when they reported it to CPSC and how long after that the public was alerted to the hazard. This is all protected information at CPSC. It is known that Aqua Dots, a particularly heinous product laced with the date rape drug, was recalled in a matter of days, but indications are that most products take much longer. A quick review of some of the products causing the most injuries show periods of months, even years between the last date of production and the date it is recalled – perhaps an indicator of when the problem came to light.

Consumers are also in the dark about injuries and deaths that take place after the product is recalled or that come to light after the recall release is published. For instance, after the CPSC recalled the 12 models of Simplicity and Graco cribs, there were numerous press reports of other deaths in these products. However, the only deaths attributed to the products by CPSC are the three referenced in the release.

And perhaps most importantly from a safety perspective, it is unclear how many of the units of recalled products this year will be retrieved from homes and child care facilities. CPSC has repeatedly denied KID's requests for this information on the Simplicity crib recall.

The same system that failed to keep the recalled portable crib that killed Danny Keysar out of his licensed childcare facility is still in place – with less funding, less staffing, less power. Unfortunately, in a largely reactive product safety system, someone often has to get hurt or killed before any action to remove unsafe products from the shelves is initiated. Contrary to what most consumers believe, children's products are not required to undergo mandatory safety testing before being sold. There are many reasons why dangerous products are still ending up in the hands of children –none are acceptable.

However, this year's record setting recalls trained the harsh spotlight of public security on the deeply rooted, systemic problems in children's product safety oversight. With a series of high-profile recalls of trusted brand names, consumers are highly concerned about this urgent public safety hazard - and Washington is finally listening. Legislation currently under consideration in Congress would enact the most sweeping reforms to CPSC ever. The heightened media attention has created new opportunities to reach people with lifesaving recall information. With the possibility of meaningful change finally within reach, now is the time to become advocates for the safety of all children.

Recommendations

Kids In Danger has reported on children's product recalls since 2001. Each year, the report highlights products that don't meet current existing standards; injuries and deaths from products that came to market without adequate testing; and far too many injuries before companies take action. Moreover, as in the past, this year there were millions of products in homes, schools, and childcare that were found to be hazardous but will never be recovered. This year has brought increased public scrutiny to CPSC and product safety and legislation from Congress to strengthen the product safety system in the US. KID recommends the following actions be part of any strengthening legislation.

- The current fine cap for violations of manufacturer's self-reporting requirements must be lifted. The threat of a large fine must be available to CPSC to encourage compliance.
- Given companies' lack of compliance with self-reporting requirements, CPSC must reevaluate their reliance on that information for safety actions. CPSC needs additional staff and funds to investigate potential dangers, rather than waiting for companies to report them.
- Recalled products are next to impossible to retrieve. Congress should allow CPSC to set mandatory standards and require certification of testing to those standards prior to sale of infant and toddler products. Children should not be guinea pigs for unsafe products.
- Children's products should come with product registration cards for the sole purpose of notifying consumers when a product has a defect or is recalled.
- States should enact legislation to ban the sale of recalled products or their use in childcare facilities. Only eight states, including Illinois, now have a Children's Product Safety Act.
- KID supports a ban on lead in any products intended for use with or by a child age 12 or under. KID supports the American Academy of Pediatrics proposed limit of 40 parts per million.
- Information on injuries and incidents reported with products should be available to the public at www.cpsc.gov. Even if CPSC decides not to issue a recall, parents should be able to decide for themselves if they want to take the risk.

Action for Parents and Caregivers

KID urges every parent and caregiver to take the following **three steps to protect the children in their care**.

- 1) Be aware of the problem: Visit www.KidsInDanger.org for more information on children's product safety and to sign up for free email alerts to keep up-to-date on recalled products. Consumers can also sign up at www.cpsc.gov to receive notice of recalls by email.
- 2) Always check products: Take an inventory of the products used with children—at home, at childcare and elsewhere—and check it against the list of recalls at www.cpsc.gov. Check for safety information on car seats at www.nhtsa.gov. Repeat the

check every time a new product is bought or a gift or hand-me-down is received. Report any injuries or problems with products to both the manufacturer and CPSC.

- 3) Spread the word: After learning of a recall, share the news with friends and family and urge them to pass it along. Also, always fill out product registration cards so manufacturers can send recall information.
- 4) Report any product that appears dangerous. Sometimes it is the only way to bring a dangerous product to CPSC's attention.
- 5) Become an Advocate: Urge every state to take steps to protect children by adopting the Children's Product Safety Act that bans the sale or lease of recalled products or their use in childcare. Find out more at www.KidsInDanger.org advocacy pages.

Methodology

Kids In Danger obtained all recall information for this report from monthly lists of press releases generated by the CPSC and issued jointly by product manufacturers and the CPSC. Press releases outline the incidents, failures, and injuries caused by the product prior to the date of recall. All numbers, facts, and figures contained in this report were taken from these press releases. Only children's products under the jurisdiction of the CPSC were considered. This excludes car seats and booster seats that are regulated by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. However, CPSC does have oversight of car seats that can also be used as infant carriers.

Definitions

A children's product is defined as any product designed or intended for the care of or use by children. Products that pose potential dangers to children but that are not intended for their use, such as cigarette lighters with faulty child resistance locks, are not counted as children's products.

Children's products were further categorized for this report by the type of product (clothing, furniture, nursery products, sporting goods, jewelry, art supplies and toys). The product name, manufacturer, date of recall, number of units recalled, type of hazard posed, and number of incidents and injuries were also recorded for children's products recalled in 2007. (Appendix A)

About Kids In Danger

Kids In Danger is a nonprofit organization dedicated to protecting children by improving children's product safety. KID was founded in 1998 by Linda Ginzel and Boaz Keysar after the death of their 16-month-old son, Danny, in a dangerous portable crib. For more information, call 312.595.0649 or visit www.KidsInDanger.org.

Appendix A: 2007 Children's Product Recalls

Recall Date	Manufacturer	Product	Hazard	Hazard Category	Units	Incident reports	Injuries & Deaths
Art Supplie	s				-		
3/7/2007	Discount School Supply	Elite 5-in-1 Easels	Paint on chalkboard contains high levels of lead	Lead poisoning	2,500	0	0
3/13/2007	Tri-Star International	Children's Stationary Sets	Contains a razor blade w/ a sharp edge	Laceration	360	0	0
8/22/2007	Martin Designs Inc.	SpongeBob SquarePants Address Books and Journals	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	250,000	0	0
8/30/2007	Toys "R" Us Inc.	Imaginarium Wooden Coloring Cases	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	27,000	0	0
10/4/2007	Antioch Publishing	Bookmarks and Journals	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	150,000	0	0
10/11/2007	J.C.Penney	Deluxe Wood Art Sets	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	19,000	0	0
10/17/2007	Antioch Publishing	Cool Clip and Mini Cool Clip Bookmarks	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	200,000	0	0
11/21/2007	Discount School Supply	Shaving Paint Brushes	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	20,000	0	0
11/21/2007	Raymond Geddes	Children's Pencil Pouches	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	84,200	0	0
Clothing							
1/5/2007	Samara Brothers LLC	Starting Out Shirt and Overalls	Snaps contain excessive amounts of lead	Lead poisoning	200	0	0
1/10/2007	Seena International	Children's Hooded Sweatshirts w/ Drawstrings	Strangulation or entanglement by drawstring	Strangulation	45,000	0	0
2/7/2007	L.L. Bean	Faux-Shearling Infant Booties	Small metal zipper tab on the booties can detach	Choking	4,400	6	0
2/8/2007	G & W Industries Inc.	Toddler Pants Sets	Zipper pull on the jacket can detach	Choking	1,800	1	0
2/13/2007	Samara Brothers LLC	Heavyweight Outerwear Jackets	Snaps on outside contain excessive amounts of lead	Lead poisoning	8,000	0	0
2/13/2007	Vacation Clothing (aka Basix USA)	Hooded Sweatshirts and Windbreakers	Strangulation or entanglement by drawstring	Strangulation	20,000	0	0
3/8/2007	Nordstrom Inc.	N-Kids Girl's & Pine Peak Blues Boy's Flannel Drawstring Pants	Material fails to meet children's sleepwear flammability standards	Burn	78,000	0	0
3/8/2007	Cobmex Inc.	Cobmex Youth Jackets w/ Drawstrings	Children can get entangled and strangle in drawstring	Strangulation	16,000	0	0

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3/8/2007	H&M	Boy's Jackets w/ an attached compass	Compass can break - choking; Liquid inside leaks out - poisoning	Choking / poisoning	2,700	1	0
3/19/2007	Hanna Andersson	Hanna Andersson Children's Crossover Tee & Lounge Pant Set	Material fails to meet children's sleepwear flammability standards	Burn	12,300	0	0
4/17/2007	Independent Trading Co.	Life is good Children's Sweatshirts	Drawstring through the hood	Strangulation	1,200	0	0
4/17/2007	Disney Stores North America	Baby Einstein Caterpillar & Baby Einstein Duck Sleepwear	Sleepwear fails to meet children's flammability standard	Burn	200	0	0
5/2/2007	Payless ShoeSource	Children's Airwalk Compel Shoes	Plastic rivets to attach strap can detach	Choking	690,000	1	0
5/16/2007	Samara Brothers LLC	Three Piece Shorts Sets	Decorative fish buttons can detach	Choking	360	0	0
5/17/2007	Mervyns	Little Girls Capri Pants w/ Snap Roll Cuff	Buttons inside waistband can detach	Choking	228,000	0	0
6/7/2007	Personal Creations	Red Baby Long Johns	Metal snaps can detach	Choking	5,500	10	0
6/14/2007	Nordstrom Inc.	Pine Peak Blues Children's Jackets	Zipper pull on the jacket can detach	Choking	1,900	1	0
6/14/2007	Nordstrom Inc.	Calypso Sandals	Jewel decorations on shoe can detach	Choking	1,800	0	0
7/17/2007	Payless ShoeSource	Toddler Clog Shoes	Plastic rivets to attach strap can detach	Choking	270,000	0	0
8/23/2007	Millennium Apparel Group	Basic Editions-brand Girls' Clothing Sets	Drawstring at the waist	Entanglement	4,700	0	0
8/29/2007	Paramount Apparel International	Toddler and Youth Nylon Bucket Hats	Hat has a drawstring	Strangulation	500	0	0
8/30/2007	Life Is Good Inc.	Zippity Hoodie and Sherpa Full Zip Children's Hooded Sweatshirts w/ Drawstrings	Drawstring at the hood	Strangulation	400	0	0
10/18/2007	Payless ShoeSource	Girls' Boots	Zipper pull on boots can interlock while walking	Fall	90,000	5	1

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11/15/2007	The Bon Ton Department Stores Inc	Girls and Boys Bath Robes	Fail to meet children's sleepwear flammability standard	Burn	1,000	0	0
11/27/2007	The Bon Ton Department Stores Inc.	Children's Fleece Hooded Zip-up Jackets with Neck Drawstrings	Strangulation or entanglement by drawstring	Strangulation	3,240	0	0
12/3/2007	Old Navy LLC	Performance Fleece-Lined Boys' Jackets	Entanglement by drawstring	Strangulation	17,200	0	0
12/6/2007	E. S. Sutton Inc.	TKS-brand Children's Pants	Ribbon belt at waist	Entanglement	6,100	0	0
12/6/2007	A&R Knitwear	Personal Identity-brand V- neck Sweaters with Hood	Strangulation or entanglement by drawstring	Strangulation	5,200	0	0
12/6/2007	Scope Apparel L.P.	Boys' Hooded Sweatshirts	Strangulation or entanglement by drawstring	Strangulation	72,000	0	0
12/6/2007	Millennium Apparel Group	Basic Editions-brand Girls' Clothing Sets	Strangulation or entanglement by drawstring	Strangulation	13,000	0	0
12/21/2007	Liberty Apparel Co.	Jewel Brand Girls' Hooded Sweatshirts	Strangulation or entanglement by drawstring	Strangulation	12,000	0	0
12/27/2007	Gap Outlet	"Warmest Jacket" Boys' Jackets	Entrapment by waist drawstring	Entanglement	16,200	0	0
Furniture							
9/4/2007	d-Scan Inc.	Jubee Bunk Beds	Wooden side slat supports can separate causing upper bunk to collapse	Bodily Injury	500	7	0
11/16/2007	Jetmax International Ltd.	Children's Wooden Storage Rack	Rack can tip over	Entrapment	36,000	1	1 Death
12/13/2007	Hooker Furniture Corp.	Bunk Beds	Gap between parts of upper bunk allow body to pass though not the head	Entrapment	1,300	0	0
Jewelry							
1/18/2007	U.S. Toy Co. Inc.	Children's Butterfly Necklaces	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	113,800	0	0
2/7/2007	DM Merchandising Inc.	Children's "Ultra Gear" Bracelets	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	86,400	0	0
2/7/2007	Shalom Int. Corp.	"Rachael Rose Kidz" Rings	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	280,000	0	0

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2/23/2007	Crimzon Rose Accessories	Children's "Kidsite" Necklace & Earring Sets	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	6,000	0	0
2/23/2007	Lari Jewelry Co	"Claudia Jublot" Children's Rings	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	115,000	0	0
3/13/2007	United Imports Inc.	Children's Mood Necklaces	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	3,600	0	0
3/15/2007	Claire's Boutiques Inc.	Children's Necklaces	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	58,000	0	0
3/15/2007	Rhode Island Novelty	Children's Mood Necklaces	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	47,000	0	0
4/3/2007	Dollar General	Metal Key Chains	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	396,000	0	0
4/3/2007	A&A Global Industries	Children's "Groovy Grabber" Bracelets	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	4,000,000	0	0
4/17/2007	Cardinal Distributing Co.	Children's Charm Bracelets and "Sportswear" Necklaces	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	900,000	0	0
5/2/2007	Cardinal Distributing Co. Inc.	Children's Rings w/ Dice or Horseshoes	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	200	0	0
5/2/2007	Oriental Trading Company Inc.	Children's Religious Fish Necklaces	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	132,000	0	0
5/15/2007	Cardinal Distributing Co. Inc.	Children's Turquoise Rings	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	300,000	0	0
5/15/2007	Spandrel Sales & Marketing Inc.	Children's Necklaces, Bracelets, and Rings	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	200,000	0	0
5/31/2007	Tween Brands Inc.	Children's Metal Jewelry	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	103,000	0	0
6/12/2007	Crimzon Rose Accessories	"Accessories" Silver Stud Earring Sets	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	5,300	0	0
6/19/2007	GeoCentral	Butterfly Necklaces	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	19,000	0	0
7/5/2007	Future Industries	Essentials for Kids Jewelry Sets	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	20,000	0	0
7/17/2007	Uncas Manufacturing Company	Sleeping Beauty Crown & Cinderella Star Earring Sets	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	220	0	0
8/22/2007	TOBY N.Y.C.	TOBY & ME Jewelry Sets	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	14,000	0	0

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8/22/2007	Buy-Rite Designs Inc.	Children's Divine Inspiration Charm Bracelets	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	7,900	0	0
9/26/2007	TOBY N.Y.C.	TOBY & ME Jewelry Sets	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	23,500	0	0
9/26/2007	Rhode Island Novelty	Children's Spinning Wheel- Metal Necklaces	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	850	0	0
10/25/2007	WeGlow International	WeGlow Children's Metal Jewelry	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	110,000	0	0
10/25/2007	Greenbrier International, Inc.	Beary Cute, Expressions, and Sassy & Chic Jewelry	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	198,000	0	0
11/1/2007	Tween Brands Inc.	Pearl-like Bead Attachments sold with Girl's Gift Sets	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	4,000	0	0
11/21/2007	Buy-Rite Designs Inc.	Sparkle City Charm Bracelets and Tack Pin Sets	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	43,000	0	0
11/21/2007	Family Dollar Stores	Rachel Rose & Distinctly Basics Metal Jewelry	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	205,000	0	0
11/21/2007	La Femme NY 2 Inc.	La Femme NY Children's Necklace and Earring Sets	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	4,500	0	0
11/21/2007	Cherrydale Fundraising	Decorative Stretchable Aqua Bracelets	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	45,000	0	0
11/21/2007	Pure Allure	Crystal Innovations Jewelry	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	200,000	0	0
11/21/2007	Colossal Jewelry & Accessories Inc.	Children's Metal Necklaces & Bracelets	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	10,400	0	0
12/13/2007	Codee International	Codeena Princess Children's Metal Jewelry	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	1,000	0	0
Nursery Pro	oducts						
1/18/2007	Graco Children's Products Inc.	Graco Contempo Highchairs	Highchair can collapse if not fully opened	Bodily Injury	100,000	20	1
1/22/2007	Artcraft and Foremost Inc.	Sippy / Tumbler Cups	Impact if dropped/ banged it can break into tiny pieces	Choking	43,500	90	6
3/22/2007	Infantino LLC	SlingRider Infant Carriers	Plastic slider on fabric strap breaks posing fall risk	Fall	100,000	10	4
3/27/2007	Baby Trend Inc.	Baby Trend Back Pack Carriers	Stitching on the strap can loosen or detach posing a fall hazard	Fall	4,000	18	1

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4/18/2007	Oeuf LLC	Infant Bouncer Seats	Tubular metal frame can break, posing a fall to infants in the seat	Fall	1,400	6	0
5/2/2007	Graco Children's Products Inc.	Soft Block Tower Toys (on Graco Baby Einstein Discover & Play Activity Centers)	Plastic covering soft blocks can detach posing a choke hazard	Choking	40,000	137	81
5/10/2007	Evenflo Company Inc.	Evenflo Embrace Infant Car Seat / Carriers	Handle can unexpectedly release causing seat to rotate forward	Bodily Injury	450,000	679	160
5/30/2007	Fisher-Price	Rainforest Open Top Take- Along Swings	Child can shift to one side and get caught between the frame and seat	Entrapment	127,000	60	60
5/31/2007	Song Lin Industrial Inc.	Sleigh Round Cribs	Mattress is instructed to be put at high level	Fall	180	0	0
6/6/2007	Simplicity Inc.	Nursery-in-a-box Cribs	Improper assembly instructions can cause side to disengage	Entrapment	40,000	1	0
7/19/2007	CVS/pharmacy	Playskool Toddler "NoSpill" Sippy Cups	Kids can chew through plastic spout of cup	Choking	84,000	36	0
7/24/2007	Pottery Barn Kids	Matelasse Crib Bumpers	Decorative stitching on edge can come loose	Entanglement	31,000	2	0
7/26/2007	various manufacturers	Pacifiers	Pacifiers' crystals can separate easily	Aspiration	1,000	0	0
8/23/2007	Stokke	Sleepi Crib Foam Mattresses	Mattresses are not properly sized leaving a gap	Entrapment	1,000	0	0
8/23/2007	St. Martin's Press LLC	Priddy "Trucks" Shaker Teether Books	Small pieces of teether can break off	Choking	35,000	2	0
9/4/2007	NettoCollection LLC	"Moderne" and "Loft" Cribs	Crib slats can separate from side rails	Entrapment	400	3	0
9/21/2007	Simplicity Inc.	Cribs (12 styles)	Dropside can detach leaving a gap	Entrapment	1,000,000	65	7 injuries, 3 deaths
9/27/2007	Kolcraft	Play Yards (12 styles)	Changing table straps pose strangulation hazard	Strangulation	425,000	46	1 death

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10/4/2007	Dollar General	Frankenstein Tumblers	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	63,000	0	0
10/9/2007	Starbucks Coffee Co.	Starbucks Children's Plastic Cups	Face on cup can break & leave small parts or sharp edges	Choking/Laceration	250,000	7	0
10/25/2007	Bumbo International	Bumbo "Baby Sitter" Seats	If placed on elevated surface child can flip out onto floor	Bodily Injury	1,000,000	28	3
11/8/2007	Bassettbaby	Wendy Bellissimo Collecton Convertible Cribs	Bolts connecting top corners can come loose creating a gap	Entrapment	8,900	85	1
11/21/2007	The Boppy Company	Boppy Slipcovers	Zipper can break and contains lead	Laceration/Lead poisoning	38,000	0	0
12/6/2007	RC2 Corp.	The First Years Newborn-to- Toddler Reclining Feeding Seats	Restraining straps can pull out of waist strap slots	Fall	100,000	38	12
12/6/2007	RC2 Corp.	The First Years 3-in-1 Flush and Sounds Potty Seats	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	160,000	0	0
12/11/2007	Stokke LLC	Xplory Baby Strollers	Bolt attaching front wheel can loosen causing wheel to fall off	Bodily Injury	2,000	258	1
12/13/2007	Infantino LLC	Infantino Lion Teethers	Plastic nose can detach	Choking	28,000	8	1
12/19/2007	Discount School Sup.	Giant Measuring Chart	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	13,000	0	0
12/21/2007	Empire Silver Company	Sterling Silver Teething Rings	Silver ball that holds ring in place can separate & release beads inside	Choking	1,000	0	0
Other							
10/9/2007	Kahoot Products Inc.	Cub Scouts Totem Badges	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	1,600,000	0	0
10/11/2007	J.C.Penney	Breyer 2006 Stirrup Ornaments	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	2,400	0	0
10/12/2007	Ross Stores Inc.	Turtle Sprinklers	Can fill w/water causing it to crack or explode	Laceration	1,800	1	0

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11/8/2007	Dolgencorp Inc.	Children's Fashion Sunglasses	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	51,000	0	0
12/7/2007	FGX International Inc.	Children's Sunglasses	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	260,000	0	0
Sporting Go	oods						
2/27/2007	Mirraco LLC	Mirraco Bicycles	Front wheel forks improperly welded	Fall	11,000	5	0
3/28/2007	Dynacraft BSC Inc	Triax PK7 and Vertical PK7 Bicycles	Bicycle frame can crack causing loss of control	Bodily Injury	32,000	2	2
5/3/2007	Stateside Powersports	Long Chang Lion 90cc All- Terrain Vehicles(ATVs)	No front brakes, inadequate tire labeling and other parts and safety requirements	Bodily Injury	100	0	0
6/6/2007	Cannondale Bicycle Corp	Bicycles with Carbon Crank sets	Crank set can break	Fall	2,900	2	1
6/13/2007	Cannondale Bicycle Corp	Mountain Bicycles w/ Lefty Speedy SL & Lefty Speed DLR Forks	Forks can break during use	Fall	6,700	15	5
8/3/2007	Raleigh America Inc	2007 Cadent Bicycles with Carbonage Carbon	Forks can break during use	Fall	1,200	3	3
9/6/2007	Ohalee Inc.	Ohalee FA-A70 Youth ATVs	No front brakes, tire pressure gauge, manu- facture date on tires, front suspension solid	Bodily Injury	36	0	0
9/18/2007	Recreational Equipment Inc	Novara Afterburner Trailer Bicycles	Trailer bicycle can detach from adult bicycle	Fall	5,200	1	0
10/4/2007	Sports Authority	Alpine Design Aluminum Water Bottles	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	11,200	0	0
10/5/2007	Razor USA LLC	Razor® E300 Electric Scooters	A weld can break causing the handlebar to detach	Bodily Injury	20,000	25	3
10/16/2007	Procycle Group Inc	Rocky Mountain-Solo Bicycles	Head tube can detach from frame	Fall	45	2	2
10/16/2007	Huffy Corp	2007 Huffy "Howler" and "Highland" Bicycles	Crank can unexpectedly come off causing rider to lose control	Bodily Injury	22,000	2	1

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11/13/2007	Nike Inc.	Football Helmet Chin Straps	Strap can break exposing player to facial or head injuries	Bodily Injury	235,000	18	5
11/21/2007	Baja Motorsports	Baja ATV's	Lack a tires pressure gauge and a flag pole mounting bracket	Bodily Injury	16,000	0	0
12/18/2007	Specialized Bicycles	Specialized Bicycle Helmets	Helmet fails safety standard testing	Bodily Injury	3,000	0	0
Toys							
1/17/2007	Kids II Inc	Bright Starts Star Teether Beads & Bright Start Teether Beads	Small parts can detach	Choking	375,000	24	0
1/18/2007	Target	Plush Baby Rattles and Photo Frame Ornaments	Small parts can detach	Choking	460,000	11	0
1/18/2007	Geometix International	MagneBlocks magnetic Construction Toys	Magnets detach from plastic	Magnet ingestion	40,000	1	0
2/13/2007	JAKKS Pacific Inc	Battery Packs for Toy Vehicles	The lithium-ion polymer batteries used can ignite while charging	Burn	245,000	33	3
2/15/2007	Jazwares Inc	Link-N-Lite TM Magnetic Light-Up Puzzles	Magnets detach from plastic	Magnet ingestion	30,000	9	0
2/15/2007	Fisher-Price	"Laugh and Learn" Learning Bunny Toys	The pink pompom nose can detach	Choking	1,200,000	0	0
2/27/2007	Sportcraft Ltd	Bounce Houses	Fan and plastic housing around fan can break posing impact injury	Bodily Injury	2,600	3	0
3/13/2007	Toy Century Industrial Company	"Elite Operations" Toy Sets	Paint contains high levels of lead: Sharp edges	Lead poisoning/Laceration	128,700	0	0
3/20/2007	Casio Computer Co. Ltd.	Electronic Musical Keyboards	Keyboards can overheat when in use, posing a fire hazard to consumers	Burn	12,000	5	0
3/27/2007	Estes-Cox Corp	Radio Control Airplanes (Models 4153 & 4161)	Airplanes can overheat while recharging the battery	Burn	66,000	9	1
3/28/2007	Regent Products	Stuffed Fun Balls	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	7,200	0	0

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4/4/2007	Hong Kong Toy Centre	Little Tree Wood Activity Cart Toys	Orange hubcaps on wheels of cart can detach, posing a choking hazard	Choking	18,500	7	0
4/4/2007	OKK Trading Inc	"Lovely Baby" and "Happy Baby" Dolls	Dolls contain small parts	Choking	3,500	0	0
4/4/2007	Intex Recreation Corp	"Intex, "Easy Set and "Sand N Sun"Above-Ground Pool Ladders	Ladder's plastic steps can be assembled backward on the support brackets	Bodily Injury	466,000	172	127
4/5/2007	Gemmy Industries Corp	Disney Princesses Easter Baskets	Silver beads and ribbons can detach	Choking	8,500	0	0
4/11/2007	Small World Toys	"Sounds on the Farm" & "Sounds on the Go" Puzzles	Knobs on the puzzles can detach	Choking	78,500	42	0
4/17/2007	Paramount Pictures Corp	Shrek Ears Headbands	Small wire can protrude through the fabric of the ears	Laceration	6,000	0	0
4/19/2007	Mega Brands	Magnetix building sets	small magnets used to connect pieces can fall out	Magnet ingestion	4,000,000	1,500	28, 1 death
5/2/2007	Target	Anima - Bamboo Collection Games	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	5,000	0	0
5/3/2007	Battat Inc	Parents Magazine Record-A- Voice Toy Cell Phones	Metal pin inside the hinge of the phone can fall out	Choking	14,000	54	1
5/3/2007	Small World Toys	IQ Preschool Take-Apart Townhouse	Small magnets used to connect pieces can fall out	Magnet ingestion	8,800	2	0
5/16/2007	MTD Productions Inc	Budding Gardener Complete Gardening Set	Gloves contain high levels of lead	Lead poisoning	80	0	0
5/17/2007	Bookspan	Discovery Bunny Books	Seam on the left leg can open exposing a plastic squeak toy	Choking	16,000	1	1
5/17/2007	Bookspan	Baby Buddy Clip-on Books	Metal clip used to hold books to stroller can break	Choking	9,500	1	0
5/23/2007	AAFES	Invincibles Transport Converters Toy Sets	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	3,000	0	0
5/23/2007	Tri-Star International Inc	Ball Rattles, Wrist Rattles, Wind Up Toys	Toys contain small parts	Choking	2,000	0	0

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5/30/2007	The Boyds Collection Ltd	Eli's Small Drums and Liberty's Large Drums	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	4,500	0	0
6/7/2007	Gemmy Industries Corp	Floating Eyeballs	Plastic eyeball contains kerosene	Poisoning	500	0	0
6/7/2007	Creative Expressions	Children's Party Hats	Foil fringe glued on bottom can detach	Choking	43,100	0	0
6/13/2007	RC2 Corp.	Various Thomas & Friends Wooden Railways Toys	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	1,500,000	0	0
6/28/2007	Target	Play Wonder Toy Barbeque Grills	Ash tray attached to legs of grill could contain sharp edges	Laceration	2,300	0	0
7/3/2007	Infantino LLC	Shape Sorting Toy Castles	Plastic rod can come loose allowing plastic beads to slide off of the toy	Choking	68,000	4	0
7/5/2007	Kipp Brothers	Mag Stix Magnetic Building Sets	Small magnets used to connect pieces can fall out	Magnet ingestion	800	1	1
7/18/2007	AAFES	Soldier Bear Brand Toy Sets	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	13,000	0	0
07/19/07 5	Easy-Bake, a division of Hasbro Inc	Easy-Bake Oven	Fingers and hands can get caught	Entrapment/Burn	1,000,000	278	82
7/24/2007	Estes-Cox Corp	Sky Ranger Park Flyer Radio Control Airplanes	Airplanes launched by hand can explode near head	Bodily Injury	21,000	45	33
8/2/2007	Fisher-Price	Sesame Street, Dora the Explorer, and other children's toys	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	967,000	0	0
8/3/2007	The Orvis Company	Stuffed Plush Horse/Pillows and Fairy Dolls	Plastic button eyes on horse & pompom nose on fairy can detach	Choking	1,520	0	0
8/14/2007	Mattel Inc.	Various Polly Pocket dolls and accessories with magnets	Magnets detach from plastic	Magnet ingestion	7,300,000	400	3

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⁵ First recalled in February, recall reissued in July with different remedy

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8/14/2007	Mattel Inc.	Doggie Day Care play sets	Magnets detach from plastic	Magnet ingestion	1,000,000	2	0
8/14/2007	Mattel Inc.	Batman TM and One Piece TM Magnetic Action Figure Sets	Magnets detach from plastic	Magnet ingestion	345,000	21	0
8/14/2007	Mattel Inc.	Barbie and Tanner play sets	Magnets detach from plastic	Magnet ingestion	683,000	3	0
8/14/2007	Mattel Inc.	"Sarge" die cast toy cars	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	253,000	0	0
8/21/2007	Hampton Direct	Magnetic Toy Train Sets	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	27,000	0	0
8/22/2007	Schylling Associates Inc.	Spinning Tops and Tin Pails	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	70,700	0	0
8/28/2007	Jo-Ann Stores Inc	Robbie Duckie Kids Watering Cans	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	6,000	0	0
9/4/2007	Mattel Inc.	Various Barbie Accessory Toys	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	675,000	0	0
9/4/2007	Fisher-Price	Geo Trax Locomotive Toys	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	90,000	0	0
9/4/2007	Fisher-Price	Bongo Band toys	High levels of lead	lead poisoning	8,900	0	0
9/25/2007	BCI Burke Company LLC	Single Post Swing Sets	Connection beam can break causing swing beam to collapse	Bodily Injury	670	5	1
9/26/2007	RC2 Corp.	Various Thomas & Friends Wooden Railways Toys	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	200,000	0	0
9/26/2007	Target	Happy Giddu Gardening Tools & Sunny Patch Chairs	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	350,000	0	0
9/26/2007	Guidecraft Inc	Floor Puppet Theatres	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	10,000	0	0
9/26/2007	Jo-Ann Stores Inc	Children's Toy Rake	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	16,000	0	0
9/26/2007	RC2 Corp.	Britain's "Knights of the Sword" Series Toys	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	800	0	0
9/28/2007	Estes-Cox Corp	X-15 Flying Model Rockets	Rocket can fall without nose cone separating or parachute deploying	Bodily Injury	80,000	32	1
9/28/2007	Lan Enterprises	Mini Zooper Doll Strollers	Finger can get caught in the clip or side hinge	Entrapment	21,000	3	3
10/2/2007	Target	Plush Boys Rattles	Rattles can break open releasing small beads inside	Choking	82,000	0	0

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10/4/2007	KB Toys Inc.	Wooden Pull-Along Blocks	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	10,000	0	0
10/4/2007	Dollar General Merchandising	Key Chains	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	192,000	0	0
10/4/2007	CKI Toys	Toy Decorating Sets	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	15,000	0	0
10/4/2007	Kids II Inc	Baby Einstein Discover and Play Color Blocks	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	35,000	0	0
10/4/2007	Eveready Battery Co.	"Pirates of the Caribbean" Medallion Squeeze Lights	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	79,000	0	0
10/11/2007	CBOCS Distribution	Princess Magnetic Travel Art Set Lap Desks	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	7,800	0	0
10/11/2007	Flaghouse Inc	Kidnastics Balance Beams	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	2,400	0	0
10/11/2007	J.C.Penny	Disney™ Deluxe Winnie- the-Pooh 23-Piece Play Sets	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	49,000	0	0
10/11/2007	Riddell Inc	Collectible "Jeff Gordon" Mini Helmets	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	2,500	0	0
10/11/2007	Kipp Brothers	Bendable Dinosaur Toys	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	10,000	0	0
10/17/2007	Guidecraft Inc	Tabletop Puppet Theatres	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	5,400	0	0
10/17/2007	R.L. Albert & Son	Skull Pails Filled with Halloween Candy Mix	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	55,000	0	0
10/17/2007	Dunkin' Donuts LLC	Pink and Orange Glow Sticks	Not properly labeled that cap & lanyard can detach	Choking	1,000,000	0	0
10/18/2007	Gymboree Corp	Toy Pirate Swords	Sword can break creating a sharp point	Laceration	6,000	11	0
10/23/2007	Global Design Concepts Inc	Magnetic Game Pieces sold with "Cars" Themed Backpacks	Small magnets used to connect pieces can fall out	Magnet ingestion	110,000	3	0
10/25/2007	Family Dollar Stores	Purple Halloween Pails with Witch Decorations	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	142,000	0	0
10/25/2007	Fisher-Price	Go Diego Go Animal Rescue Boat	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	38,000	0	0
10/25/2007	DecoPac Inc	Football Bobble Head Cake Decorations	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	80,000	0	0
10/25/2007	Jo-Ann Stores Inc	Children's Toy Gardening Tools	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	97,000	0	0

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10/31/2007	SimplyFun LLC	Ribbit Board Games	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	1,500	0	0
10/31/2007	Toys "R" Us Inc.	Elite Operations Toys	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	16,000	0	0
10/31/2007	Amscan Inc.	"Ugly Teeth" Party Favors	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	43,000	0	0
10/31/2007	Henry Gordy International Inc.	"Galaxy Warriors" Toy Figures	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	380,000	0	0
11/6/2007	Fisher-Price	Laugh and Learn TM Learning Kitchen TM Toys	Pieces of the faucet or clock hands can detach	Choking	155,000	48	4
11/6/2007	Swimways Corp	"Skippy" Pool Toys	Elastic tongue can break and forcefully come out and cut users hand	laceration	31,000	24	5
11/7/2007	Schylling Associates Inc.	Winnie-the-Pooh Spinning Tops	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	3,600	0	0
11/7/2007	Dollar General Merchandising	Pull-Back Action Toy Cars	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	380,000	0	0
11/7/2007	Schylling Associates Inc.	Duck Family Collectable Wind-Up Toy	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	3,500	0	0
11/7/2007	International Sourcing Ltd (ISL)	Dragster and Funny Car Toy	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	7,500	0	0
11/7/2007	Schylling Associates Inc.	Dizzy Ducks Music Box	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	1,300	0	0
11/7/2007	Spin Master	Aqua Dots	Chemical coating on beads is toxic when ingested	Poisoning	4,200,000	2	2
11/7/2007	Schylling Associates	"Robot 2000" collectable tin robot	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	2,600	0	0
11/7/2007	Northern Tool & Equipment Co.	"Big Red" Wagons	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	7,200	0	0
11/8/2007	Marvel Toys	Curious George Plush Dolls	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	175,000	0	0
11/16/2007	Hobby Lobby Stores Inc.	Halloween-Themed Baskets	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	10,000	0	0
11/21/2007	Paricon Inc.	Snow and Sand Castle Kits	Kit can crack at handle causing sharp edges	Laceration	800	0	0
11/21/2007	Sailing (U.S.) International Corp	Flashing Pacifiers or 2 in 1 Flashing Pacifiers with whistle Necklace	Nipple can detach from toy	Choking	8,000	0	0

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12/5/2007	Bell Racing Co.	Collectible Mini Helmets	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	1,400	0	0
12/12/2007	United Scientific	Horseshoe Magnets	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	153,000	0	0
12/12/2007	Far East Brokers &	Fishing Games	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	14,000	0	0
	Consultants Inc						
12/13/2007	Jo-Ann Stores Inc	Children's Robbie Ducky	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	60	0	0
		Holiday Water Globes					
12/13/2007	Greenbrier	Baby Toys Baby Bead &	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	300,000	0	0
	International Inc	Wire Toys / Speed Racer Pull					
		Back Cars					
12/19/2007	AAFES	Soldier Bear Toys	High levels of lead	Lead poisoning	11,400	0	0
12/19/2007	Victorias Secret	Holiday Cosmetics Stuffer	Neck medallion zipper pull	Choking	80	0	0
		Bear	can detach				
12/21/2007	Man's Trading	Super Magnets	Magnets detach from panda	Magnet ingestion	2,800	0	0
	Company						
12/27/2007	eeBoo Corp.	Tot Tower Toy Blocks	Plastic covering toy blocks	Choking	170,000	2	0
			can detach posing a choke				
			hazard				