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Table 1
Deflection data for beams under vertical loading[a]

Material	Deflection x (mm)	Deflection y (mm)
Concrete	0.123	0.524
Steel	0.145	0.246
Composite	0.133	0.415
Oak wood	0.233	0.487
Wax	1.025	2.780
Polystyrene	∞	∞

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