

CALIFORNIA STATE SCIENCE FAIR 2002 PROJECT SUMMARY

Name(s) **Project Number** Lindsey R. Preovolos 22196 **Project Title** It's to the Wall, at the Wall, and It's Gone **Abstract Objectives/Goals** The objective for my project is to see which brand of softball travels the further My hypothesis is that the Worth brand will travel the furthest. Methods/Materials To conduct this experiment I had to build a machine that would hit the balls with the same amount of force each time. I used six 12" softballs manufactured by Dudely Rawlings, Facton, Worth, and Wilson. Each ball was hit eight-teen times, and all of the distances were recorded. The average of the distances was found to see which brand traveled the furthest. has an 11" spring, 3" X 5" metal plate, and The machine was built out of wood, primarily 2" X 4"s. It a many screws and nails of differnt lengths. **Results** The results ended up being that the Rawlings brand of oftball traveled the furthest, followed by Easton, Worth, Wilson 17, Wilson 15 and Dudely. **Conclusions/Discussion** The results from my experiment proved my hypothesis Worth brand did not travel the furthest. **Summary Statement** figure out which brand of softball travels the furthest. **Help Received** Father helped build the machine, and helped record data. Mother helped with backboard. Teacher helped organize all materials.