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Table 1

Deflection data for beams under vertical loadinga

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| --- | --- | --- |
| Material | Deflection *x* (mm) | Deflection *y* (mm) |
| Concrete | 0.123 | 0.524 |
| Steel | 0.145 | 0.246 |
| Composite | 0.133 | 0.415 |

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