



U.S. Department of Transportation  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

**DOT Auto Safety Hotline**  
**Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire**  
To Report Vehicle Safety Defects  
1-888-DASH-2-DOT  
(1-888-327-4236)  
INTERNET: www.nhtsa.dot.gov/hotline

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OFFICE OF DEFECTS INVESTIGATION

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8:51  
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OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)

Name [Redacted]  
Address [Redacted]  
City JOHNSTON State RI Zip Code [Redacted]

Daytime Telephone Number [Redacted] E-mail Address [Redacted]  
Evening Telephone Number [Redacted]

Do you authorize NHTSA to provide a copy of this report to the manufacturer of your vehicle?  YES  NO  
In the absence of an authorization, NHTSA WILL NOT provide your name or address to the vehicle manufacturer.  
Signature of Owner [Redacted] Date 1/21/03

VEHICLE INFORMATION

17 digit Vehicle Identification Number Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side  
2B4GP45R6VA13B080  
Make DODGE Model CARAVAN Model Year 1997  
Date Purchased 10/94 Dealer's Name and Telephone Number Elmwood Dodge  
Original Owner  Dealer's City East Providence State RI Zip Code [Redacted]  
Engine: No. Cylinders [Redacted] Fuel Type: [Redacted]  
Transmission Type  Antilock Brakes  Cruise Control Powertrain [Redacted] Vehicle Component Code 162300 STRUCTURE:BODY:DOOR  
Multiple Failure: Write Open - jammed shut

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s) 01-OCT-2002 Failure Mileage 70 000 Failure Speed [Redacted]

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A TIRE FAILURE

Tire Make [Redacted] Tire Model (Name or Number) [Redacted] Tire Size (Example P215/65R15) [Redacted]  
DOT No. (Example: DOTM19ABC036)  Original Equipment  Prior Repair Failure Location: [Redacted]  
Tire Component Code [Redacted] Tire Failure Type [Redacted]

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A CHILD SEAT FAILURE

Make: [Redacted] Date Manufactured: [Redacted] Model No./Name: [Redacted]  
Seat Type: [Redacted] Installation System: [Redacted]  
Child Seat Component Code: [Redacted] Failed Part: [Redacted]

APPLICABLE INCIDENT INFORMATION

(Please describe in detail the incident(s), failure(s), crash(es), and injury(ies).)

Crash  Yes  No Fire  Yes  No Number of Persons Injured [Redacted] Number of Deaths [Redacted] Reported to Police N

Narrative Description of Incident(s), Crash(es), and Injury(ies).  
Please describe (1) events leading up to the failure, (2) failure and its consequences, and (3) what was done to correct the failure; i.e. parts repaired or replaced (and if old part is available).

CONSUMER STATES THE DRIVER'S SIDE SLIDING DOOR WILL NOT OPEN. THIS POSES A SAFETY HAZARD IF CONSUMER NEEDED TO REMOVE CHILDREN FROM VEHICLE IN AN EMERGENCY. TS

Include, if available: Police/Fire Department Report, Photos, and Repair Invoice. ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY

The Privacy Act of 1974 - Public Law 93-579 This information is requested pursuant to authority vested in the National Highway Traffic Safety Act and subsequent amendments. You are under no obligation to respond to this questionnaire. Your response may be used to assist the NHTSA in determining whether a Manufacturer should take appropriate action to correct a safety defect. If the NHTSA proceeds with administrative enforcement or litigation against a manufacturer, your response, or a statistical summary thereof, may be used in support of the agency's action.

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Driver's side slider door (passenger)  
will not open. Lock ~~button~~ button  
does not move.

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