



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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Date Received

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Reference No.

10053515

## OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)

Name

Address

City

CENTREVILLE

State VA

Zip Code

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 include your name or address to the vehicle manufacturer.

Signature of Owner

Date 1/17/04

## VEHICLE INFORMATION

17 digit Vehicle Identification Number Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side

1B76L2AN31

Make

DODGE

Model

DAKOTA

Model Year

2001

Date Purchased

1/25/01

Dealer's Name and Telephone Number

MANASSAS

Engine

703-361-5866

No. Cylinders

18

Fuel Type

GAS

Original Owner

MANASSAS

Dealer's City

MANASSAS

State

VA

Zip Code

20110-5810

Transmission Type

AUTO

☒ Anti-lock Brakes

☒ Cruise Control

Powertrain

Vehicle Component Code

021520 SUSPENSION:FRONT:CONTROL ARM:UPPER BALL JOINT

Multiple Failure: 3

## FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s)

06-JAN-2004

Failure Mileage

48838

Failure Speed

29823

DRIVE FOR ALMOST TWO YEARS WITH PROBLEM

## ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A TIRE FAILURE

Tire Make

Tire Model (Name or Number)

Tire Size (Example P215/65R15)

DOT No. (Example: DOTM19ABC036)

☐ Original Equipment

☐ Prior Repair

Failure Location:

Tire Component Code

Tire Failure Type

## ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A CHILD SEAT FAILURE

Make:

Date Manufactured:

Model No./Name:

Seat Type:

Installation System:

Child Seat Component Code:

Failed Part:

## 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

0

Number of Deaths

0

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).

UPPER BALL JOINTS WORE OUT PREMATURELY. \*AK

Problem started 12 October 2002. THOUGHT IT WAS A BRAKE PROBLEM.

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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