



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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OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)

Name

Address

City

RIVERHEAD

State

NY

Zip Code

Daytime Telephone Number

Evening Telephone Number

E-mail Address

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 _____ Date 2-10-04

VEHICLE INFORMATION

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

1J4GWS8NX1

Make

JEEP

Model

GRAND CHEROKEE

Model Year
2001

Date Purchased

3/25/01

Dealer's Name and Telephone Number

EAGLE AUTO MALL CORP 631-727-0700

Engine

No. Cylinders

8

Fuel Type

GAS

Original Owner

☐

Dealer's City

RIVERHEAD

State

NY

Zip Code

11901

Transmission Type

☒ Automatic

☐ Cruise Control

Powertrain

NV 247

Vehicle Component Code

221200 SEATS: FRONT ASSEMBLY: RECLINER

Multiple Failures: 2

1 DRIVER SEAT RECLINER
BACK PASSENGER SEAT

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s)
18-JAN-2004

Failure Mileage
30000

Failure Speed

40 MPH
OUR SPEED 30 MPH

DRIVER SEAT RECLINED FORWARD

BACK PASSENGER SEAT RECLINED FORWARD

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A TIRE FAILURE

Tire Make

GOOD YEAR 235

Tire Model (Name or Number)

Tire Size (Example P215/65R15)

DOT No. (Example: DOTM198ABC036)

☐ Original Equipment

☐ Prior Repair

Failure Location

NO FAILURE

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

3

Number of Deaths

0

Reported to Police

Y

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).

WHILE DRIVING AT 40 MPH VEHICLE SLED INTO A POLE. UPON IMPACT, ALL THREE OCCUPANTS SUSTAINED BACK INJURIES. *AK

DRIVER'S SIDE SEAT RECLINED WITHOUT WARNING. AS A RESULT, BACK PASSENGER SEAT RECLINED FORWARD

While going at 30 MPH at 40 MILE SPEED LIMIT, CAR COMING SKIDDING at us ALMOST HEAD ON. I STEERED TO THE RIGHT TO AVOID IT BUT BEING IT WAS ICEY AS I LOST CONTROL AND HIT THE POLE. AIR BAGS WORKED. BUT 2 of the 3 SEATS LUMBER BROKE FORWARD. THATS HOW I GOT HURT MY BACK.

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.

