



U.S. Department
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National Highway
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DOT Auto Safety Hotline
Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire
To Report Vehicle Safety Defects
1-888-DASH-2-DOT
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OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)

Name [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED]
City PITTSBURGH State PA 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 authorized signature, please provide your name or address to the vehicle manufacturer.
Signature of Owner [REDACTED] Date 1/1

VEHICLE INFORMATION

17 digit Vehicle Identification Number Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side: 1N6G15G5 [REDACTED]
Make HONDA Model ACCORD Model Year 1998
Date Purchased 15-JAN-00 Dealer's Name and Telephone Number TOWER AUTO SALES 412-828-6202 Engine: No. Cylinders 4 Fuel Type: Gas
Original Owner Dealer's City PITTSBURGH State PA Zip Code 15238
Transmission Type AUTOMATIC Antilock Brakes Cruise Control Powertrain FRONT WHEEL DRIVE
Vehicle Component Code 161000 STRUCTURE:FRAME AND MEMBERS
Multiple Failure: -1

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s) 01-SEP-2005 Failure Mileage 65312 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 Systems: [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 [REDACTED]

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).

DT: THE CALLER SAID THE FRONT CRADLE ASSEMBLY WAS RUSTED, SHE SAID WHEN SHE TURNED THE STEERING WHEEL TO THE LEFT IT MADE A POPPING NOISE PART WAS REPLACED. DEALER STILL HAS THE PART. DEALER SAID NOTHING ELSE WAS RUSTED, AND THEY SAID THEY COULD NOT FIND THE PART EASY BECAUSE THAT PART DID NOT GO BAD THAT OFTEN. MANUFACTURER HAS NOT BEEN CONTACTED YET. THE CALLER WANTED TO CALL NHTSA TO LET THEM KNOW ABOUT THE RUSTED PART. *AK

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 responses 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.

Narrative Description of Incident(s), Failure(s), Crash(es), and Injury(ies)

The garage that repaired my Honda, showed the rusted cradle assembly to me. It actually disintegrated when the rusted area was thinned. There was a very little left on the right side of the cradle. The garage repairman said it was considerably dangerous - the rod for steering went through that part & there was nothing left to hold the steering rod in place. It also held the motor in place & could have had an accident if the car had been driven much longer or if it had hit a bump or pothole. The garage is holding the part for further inspection to verify their report.

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