



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)

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OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)

Name

Address

City

HAWTHORNE

State CA

Zip Code

Daytime Telephone Number

E-mail Address

Evening Telephone Number

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 / /

VEHICLE INFORMATION

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

1G1ZS61886

Make

CHEVROLET

Model

MALIBU MAXX

Model Year

2006

Date Purchased

Dealer's Name and Telephone Number

Engine:

No: Cylinders 6

Fuel Type:

Gas

Original Owner

☐

Dealer's City

State

Zip Code

Transmission Type

AUTOMATIC

☒ Antilock Brakes

☒ Cruise Control

Powertrain

FRONT WHEEL DRIVE

Vehicle Component Code

012000 STEERING: COLUMN

Multiple Failure: 4

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s)

23-OCT-2007

Failure Mileage

16000

Failure Speed

60

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).

TL*THE CONTACT OWNS A 2006 CHEVROLET MALIBU MAXX. WHILE DRIVING 60 MPH, THE STEERING COLUMN LOCKED. AS SOON AS THE CONTACT REMOVED HIS FOOT FROM THE ACCELERATOR PEDAL, HE REGAINED CONTROL OF THE STEERING. THE FAILURE HAS OCCURRED APPROXIMATELY FOUR TIMES. THE VEHICLE WAS TAKEN TO A DEALER AND THEY COULD NOT FIND ANY FAILURE. THE PURCHASE DATE WAS UNKNOWN. THE CURRENT MILEAGE WAS 21,000 AND FAILURE MILEAGE WAS APPROXIMATELY 16,000.

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 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.

This car was purchased from Enterprise with about 7000 miles on the Odometer. The problem described (steering lock-up) was first noticed at approximately 12000 miles. When freeway driving and accelerating while concurrently attempting to change lanes the steering would lock-up. Steering ability would be regained when accelerating was stopped. I've had the vehicle to the Chevy Dealer and he says nothing is wrong. It seems hard to believe that this potentially very dangerous problem is unique to my electronic steering or only my Malibu. I feel like I'm an accident waiting to happen.