

U.S. Department
of TransportationNational Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration

DOT Auto Safety Hotline

Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire (VOQ)

NATIONWIDE 1-888-DASH-2-DOT

1-888-327-4236

www.nhtsa.dot.gov/hotline

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Reference No.

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 Do you authorize NHTSA to provide a copy of report to the manufacturer of your vehicle? ☐ YES ☐ NO
 In the absence of an authorization, NHTSA WILL NOT provide your name and address to the vehicle manufacturer.

Signature of Owner _____ Date ____/____/____

VEHICLE INFORMATION

Vehicle Ident. No. (VIN) (located at front of windshield on drivers side) 3C3EL55H4WT275816	Vehicle Make CHRYSLER	Vehicle Model SEBRING	Vehicle Year 1998	Current Odometer Reading
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Purchase Date 01-FEB-1999	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) _____	☐ Turbo ☐ Diesel ☐ Gas ☒ Fuel Injection
☐ New ☒ Used	City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____	No Cylinders _____	

Transmission Type ☐ Manual ☐ Automatic	Antilock Brakes ☒ Yes ☐ No	Restraint System ☐ 3-Point Belt ☐ Motorbell ☐ Driverside Airbag ☐ 2-Point Belt ☐ Passengerside Airbag	Cruise Control ☒ Yes ☐ No	Drive Train ☒ Front ☐ Rear ☐ 4-Wheel	Vehicle Type ☐ Car ☐ Sport Ult ☐ Van ☐ Truck ☐ Minivan ☐ Motorcycle ☐ Other _____	Body Style ☒ 2-Door ☐ 4-Door ☐ Stationwagon ☐ Pick Up Truck ☐ Other _____
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FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component 03272000	Part Name(s) BRAKES:HYDRAULIC:DISC:PADS AND SHOES	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
No of Failures	Date(s) of Failure(s) 03-SEP-1999 Mileage at Failure(s) 32000 Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) _____	Failed Part(s) Available? ☐ Yes ☐ No	NHTSA Previously Contacted? ☐ Yes ☐ No

APPLICATION INCIDENT INFORMATION

(Please describe in detail the incident(s), Failure(s), Crash(es), and injury(ies) on the back of this form)

Crash ☐ Yes ☐ No	Fire ☐ Yes ☒ No	Number of Persons Injured	Number of Fatalities	Estimated Property Damage	Reported to Police ☐ Yes ☒ No
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

THE BRAKES ON THE VEHICLE STARTING "SQUEALING" AND WE TOOK IT TO MIDAS FOR WHAT WE THOUGHT WOULD BE A REPLACEMENT OF THE BRAKE PADS. MIDAS SAID THAT THE REPAIR WAS A CHRYSLER DEFECT AND THAT WE SHOULD TAKE IT TO CHRYSLER. THE MIDAS MECHANIC SAID THAT OUR SEBRING CONV. WAS THE THIRD ONE HE'S SEEN WITH THIS PROBLEM. ONLY ON THE RIGHT SIDE, THE BRAKE PAD WAS WORN DOWN TO THE SENSOR, CAUSING THE SQUELLING, THAT WAS BECAUSE THE ROTOR HAS NUMEROUS CRACKS IN IT CAUSED BY EXCESSIVE HEAT AND FRICTION. HE SAID YOU NORMALLY ONLY SEE THIS PROBLEM IN CARS WITH WELL OVER 100,000 MILES ON THEM. CHRYSLER SAYS IT'S PROBABLY THE "CALIPER" THAT NEEDS TO BE REPLACED/FIXED. WE'RE WAITING FOR REPAIR. LOOKS LIKE THERE ARE SEVERAL OTHERS WITH "BRAKE" PROBLEMS ON YOUR WEBSITE, PLEASE

CONTINUED ON BACK (REVERSE)

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.