

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.

717692

 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) <small>(Listed at front of windshield or drivers side)</small>	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
2B3ED56FXPH581226	DODGE	INTREPID	1993	

Purchase Date <b>01-MAR-1993</b>	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) 3.5L	<input type="checkbox"/> Turbo <input type="checkbox"/> Diesel <input type="checkbox"/> Gas <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fuel Injection
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Used	City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____	No. Cylinders _____	

Transmission Type	Antilock Brakes	Restraint System	Cruise Control	Drive Train	Vehicle Type	Body Style
<input type="checkbox"/> Manual <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Automatic	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3-Point Belt <input type="checkbox"/> Driverside Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> Passengerside Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> Motorbell <input type="checkbox"/> 2-Point Belt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Front <input type="checkbox"/> Rear <input type="checkbox"/> 4-Wheel	<input type="checkbox"/> Car <input type="checkbox"/> Van <input type="checkbox"/> Minivan <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Sport Ult <input type="checkbox"/> Truck <input type="checkbox"/> Motorcycle <input type="checkbox"/> 2-Door <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4-Door <input type="checkbox"/> Stationwagon <input type="checkbox"/> Pick Up Truck <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

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

Component	Part Name(s)	Location	Failed Part(s)
07300000	POWER TRAIN:TRANSMISSION:AUTOMATIC	<input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Right <input type="checkbox"/> Front <input type="checkbox"/> Rear	<input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement

No. of Failures	Date(s) of Failure(s)	Mileage at Failure(s)	Vehicle Speed at Failure(s)	Failed Part(s) Available?	NHTSA Previously Contacted?
1	07-JAN-2000	114706	1	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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	Fire	Number of Persons Injured	Number of Fatalities	Estimated Property Damage	Reported to Police
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	0	0		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

## NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

WHEN BACKING THE VEHICLE OUT OF A PARKING STALL, A LOUD CLUNK WAS HEARD ... AND THEN A LOUD "ROTARY CLUNKING" NOISE. THE VEHICLE WOULD NO LONGER MOVE ... AND THE "ROTARY CLUNKING NOISE" COULD BE HEARD IN ALL FORWARD AND REVERSE GEARS (I.E., ALL GEARS EXCEPT PARK & NEUTRAL). THE VEHICLE WAS TOWED TO AN AAMCO SHOP. THE TOW TRUCK DRIVER NOTICED THAT THE PASSENGER-SIDE FRONT SUSPENSION WAS "TORN FROM THE FRAME" ... AND I NOTED THAT THE PASSENGER-SIDE FRONT WHEEL/TIRE WAS NO LONGER CENTERED IN THE WHEEL WELL (MOVED SUBSTANTIALLY FORWARD). AAMCO DETERMINED THAT DUE TO THE SUSPENSION BRACKET FAILURE, THE AXLE HAD BROKE (AT THE U-JOINT) AND WAS ALLOWED TO SPIN FREELY ... HENCE THE LOUD "ROTARY CLUNKING" NOISE. AAMCO REPLACED BOTH AXLES. THE VEHICLE WAS TH

CONTINUED ON BACK OF FORM

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.