

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) <small>(Listed at front of windshield or drivers side)</small>	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
1B4GP54L9TB285119	DODGE TRUCK	GRAND CARAVA	1996	

Purchase Date 01-JUN-1999	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CCL) 3.8 L	<input type="checkbox"/> Turbo <input type="checkbox"/> Diesel <input type="checkbox"/> Gas <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fuel Injection
<input type="checkbox"/> New <input checked="" 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 checked="" 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 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	Par. Name(s)	Location	Failed Part(s)
07300000	POWER TRAIN:TRANSMISSION:AUTOMATIC	<input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Front <input type="checkbox"/> Right <input type="checkbox"/> Rear	<input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement
No. of Failures 1	Date(s) of Failure(s) 24-FEB-2000 Mileage at Failure(s) 35125 Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) 0	Failed Part(s) Available? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	NHTSA Previously Contacted? <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 FIRST STARTING OUT IN THE MORNING, I PUT THE SHIFT LEVER IN REVERSE AND NOTICED A HESITATION BEFORE IT ENGAGED. AFTER BACKING OUT I DROPPED THE LEVER IN DRIVE AND STARTED TO PULL FORWARD-AGAIN HESITATION, THEN A CLUNK, WHEN IT SHIFTED TO SECOND. I THEN DROVE IT TO A TRANSMISSION SHOP TO HAVE THEM LOOK AT IT. THEY SAID DODGE CARAVAN TRANSMISSION PROBLEMS WERE NOT UNCOMMON. THEY PUT THE VAN ON THEIR TEST EQUIPMENT AND NOTHING SHOWED. THE SHOP OWNER SUGGESTED THAT SINCE THE VAN HAD SO FEW MILES ON IT, A FILTER AND FLUID CHANGE MAY TAKE CARE OF THE PROBLEM. WHEN HE DROPPED THE PAN HE FOUND A LOT OF METAL IN THE BASE OF THE PAN. I AM PLANNING TO CONTACT DODGE MONDAY MORNING TO DISCUSS THEIR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY IN THIS MATTER. *AK

CONTINUED ON BACK PLEASE

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.