

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.

721913

 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 driver's side)</small>	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
2FMDA5145SBA55392	FORD TRUCK	FORD TRUCK	1995	

Purchase Date <b>01-JUL-1994</b>	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) <b>3.8L</b>	<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 <input type="checkbox"/> Manual <input type="checkbox"/> Automatic	Antilock Brakes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Restraint System <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3-Point Belt <input type="checkbox"/> Motorbell <input type="checkbox"/> Driverside Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> 2-Point Belt <input type="checkbox"/> Passengerside Airbag	Cruise Control <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Drive Train <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Front <input type="checkbox"/> Rear <input type="checkbox"/> 4-Wheel	Vehicle Type <input type="checkbox"/> Car <input type="checkbox"/> Sport Ult <input type="checkbox"/> Van <input type="checkbox"/> Truck <input type="checkbox"/> Minivan <input type="checkbox"/> Motorcycle <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	Body Style <input type="checkbox"/> 2-Door <input type="checkbox"/> 4-Door <input type="checkbox"/> Stationwagon <input type="checkbox"/> Pick Up Truck <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other _____
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**FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION**

Component 05150021 05151000 05100000	Part Name(s) <b>ENGINE:GASKETS:VALVE COVER</b> <b>ENGINE:TIMING GEAR AND CHAIN</b> <b>ENGINE</b>	Location <input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Right <input type="checkbox"/> Frnt <input type="checkbox"/> Rear	Failed Part(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement
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No. of Failures <b>2</b>	Date(s) of Failure(s) <b>22-DEC-1998</b> Mileage at Failure(s) <b>85562</b> Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) _____	Failed Part(s) Available? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	NHTSA Previously Contacted? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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**APPLICATION INCIDENT INFORMATION**

(Please describe in detail the incident(s), failure(s), crash(es), and injury(ies) on the back of this form.)

Crash <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Fire <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Number of Persons Injured	Number of Fatalities	Estimated Property Damage	Reported to Police <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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**NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)**

HEAD GASKET FAILED THE FIRST TIME, REPLACED UNDER RECALL #98M01, THEN TIMING COVER GASKET AND ORING FAILED, WAS REPLACED AND PAID FOR BY OWNER, ENGINE THEN FAILED COMPLETELY. SALVAGED ENGINE INSTALLED AND PAID FOR BY OWNER AT 95,563 MILES. SALVAGE ENGINE HAD 45,000 MILES ON IT JAN 1999. VAN NOW HAS A 110,000 TOTAL VEHICULAR MILES ON IT AND SECOND ENGINE HAS FAILED. FORD DOES NOT WANT TO REIMBURSE FOR ENGINE FAILURE BEFORE 100,000 MILES AND WILL NOT REPLACE HEAD GASKET ON SECOND ENGINE ON RECALL #00M09, SINCE THERE IS OVER 100,000 MILES. THIS HAS BEEN VERY FRUSTRATING FOR US SINCE OVER THE LAST 15 YEARS WE HAVE PURCHASED ROUGHLY \$85,000 WORTH OF FORD VEHICLES (MAINLY F-SERIES TRUCKS) AND HAVE HAD EXTREMELY GOOD LUCK WITH THE TRUCKS BUT NOT THE I

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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.