



**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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Data Received  <b>11-AUG-2000</b>	Od_or _____
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Reference No. <b>727560</b>	

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 <b>PONTIAC</b>	Vehicle Model <b>GRAND AM</b>	Vehicle Year <b>1997</b>	Current Odometer Reading
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Purchase Date <b>01-AUG-1999</b>	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) <b>2.4L</b>	<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 <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"/> Driverside Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> Passengerside Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> Motorbell <input type="checkbox"/> 2-Point Belt	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"/> Van <input type="checkbox"/> Minivan <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Sport Ult Truck <input type="checkbox"/> Motorcycle	Body Style <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 _____
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**FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION**

Component <b>03270000</b>	Par. Name(s) <b>BRAKES:HYDRAULIC:SHOE:DISC BRAKE SYSTEM</b>	Location <input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Frnt <input type="checkbox"/> Right <input type="checkbox"/> Rear	Failed Part(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement
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No. of Failures <b>5</b>	Date(s) of Failure(s) _____ Mileage at Failure(s) <b>55000</b> Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) <b>45</b>	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)**

**WHEN TRAVELING IN WET WEATHER, WHEN BRAKES APPLIED, IT IS LIKE A COMPLETE BRAKE FAILURE. UNREASONABLE AMOUNT OF TIME FOR THE BRAKES TO BEGIN GRIPPING...IT IS AS IF THE BRAKES ARE SATURATED WITH WATER.NO BRAKING ACTION FOR WHAT I BELIEVE IS AN UNSAFE PERIOD OF TIME. THIS HAS NEVER HAPPENED IN ANY OTHER CAR I HAVE DRIVEN. IT IS AS IF THE DISCS ARE COMPLETELY EXOSED TO WATER. MECHANIC SAYS NOTHING WRONG WITH BRAKES. ^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.