

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.

727810

 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 top of windshield or drivers side)</small>	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
WBADM634XXGU01769	BMW	528I	1999	

Purchase Date 01-JUN-1999	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) 2.8 L	<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"/> Driverside Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> Passengerside Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> Motorbelt <input type="checkbox"/> 2-Point Belt	Cruise Control <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Drive Train <input type="checkbox"/> Front <input checked="" 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 <input type="checkbox"/> 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 01000000	Par. Name(s) STEERING	Location <input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Right <input type="checkbox"/> Front <input type="checkbox"/> Rear	Failed Part(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement
No. of Failures 1	Date(s) of Failure(s) 22-JUN-2000 Mileage at Failure(s) 3600 Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) 20	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 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Fire <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Number of Persons Injured 2	Number of Fatalities 0	Estimated Property Damage	Reported to Police <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

MY CAR WAS HIT (BROAD-SIDED AT A PERPENDICULAR ANGLE) BY A 16 YO IN AN 1989 CAMARO. MY BMW VEHICLE SUSTAINED MAJOR STRUCTURAL DAMAGE, INCLUDING BENDING OF THE CAR-FRAME, BLOW-OUT OF THE DRIVER'S WINDOW (THAT LANDED ON THE PASSENGER, LACERATING HIS LEG), AND SEPARATION AND RUPTURE OF THE BODY SIDE DOOR PANEL ASSEMBLY AND DOOR SHELL. I SUSTAINED BLUNT LEFT SHOULDER INJURIES AND BRUISING FROM IMPACTING THE PILLAR, AND ALSO BACK/LEG INJURIES. DESPITE THE SEVERITY OF THE IMPACT (THAT MADE BOTH LEFT-SIDE DOORS INOPERABLE), NEITHER THE SIDE NOR THE HEAD RESTRAINT AIRBAG SYSTEMS DEPLOYED, AND THE EMERGENCY CENTRAL UNLOCKING SYSTEM DID NOT ACTIVATE. I HAVE CONTACTED BMW AMERICA, WHO AFTER WEEKS OF UNHELPFUL SUGGESTIONS, HAD THE CAR INSPECTED. THE ENGINEERS' REPORT

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.