

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>(located at front of vehicle or on driver's side)</small>	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
4TASM92N1WZ135062	TOYOTA TRUCK	TACOMA	1998	

Purchase Date 01-APR-1998	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CCL) _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Turbo <input type="checkbox"/> Diesel <input type="checkbox"/> Gas <input 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 type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Restraint System <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3-Point Belt <input type="checkbox"/> Driver Side Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> Passenger Side Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> Inflator <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 Utl <input type="checkbox"/> Truck <input type="checkbox"/> Motorcycle	Body Style <input type="checkbox"/> 2-Door <input type="checkbox"/> 4-Door <input type="checkbox"/> Station Wagon <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pick Up Truck <input type="checkbox"/> Other
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FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component	Part Name(s)	Location	Failed Part(s)
02700000	TIRES	<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) <u>30-JUL-2000</u> Mileage at Failure(s) <u>52000</u> Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) <u>65</u>	Failed Part(s) Available? Yes No	NHTSA Previously Contacted? Yes 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 <u>0</u>	Number of Fatalities <u>0</u>	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)

I WAS TRAVELING SOUTH ON INTERSTATE 35 IN FORT WORTH WHEN MY FRONT LEFT TIRE SUDDENLY BLEW OUT. AFTER PUTTING ON THE SPARE, I EXAMINED THE FAULTY TIRE AND FOUND THAT THE ENTIRE SIDE WALL HAD BLOWN OUT, 360 DEGREES AROUND. THE TIRE STILL HAD SUFFICIENT TREAD. I TOOK IT TO THREE TIRE DEALERS, AND THEY ALL AGREED IT WAS NOT A STANDARD BLOW OUT AND WAS CAUSED BY A DEFECTIVE TIRE. THERE WERE NO ROAD HAZARDS AND I WAS TRAVELING IN FAIRLY HEAVY TRAFFIC, BUT I WAS ABLE TO COME TO A STOP AND MAKE IT TO THE SHOULDER. AFTER HEARING OF THE PROBLEMS AND INJURIES/FATALITIES THAT HAD BEEN ASSOCIATED WITH THIS PARTICULAR TYPE OF TIRE, I DECIDED TO REPLACE ALL FOUR RATHER THAN TAKE ANY CHANCES WITH MY SAFETY. THE TOTAL COST TO REPLACE THE FOUR TIRE

CONTINUE ON BACK IF NEEDED

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.