

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

FOR AGENCY USE ONLY 258

Data Received

07-SEP-2000

 Od_or _____
 rt_dt _____
 od_rt _____
 up_ltr _____

Reference No.

730628

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> WDBGB34E8PA091828	Vehicle Make MERCEDES BENZ	Vehicle Model 300 SD	Vehicle Year 1993	Current Odometer Reading
---	--------------------------------------	--------------------------------	-----------------------------	--------------------------

Purchase Date 01-APR-1994	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Turbo <input type="checkbox"/> Diesel <input type="checkbox"/> Gas <input 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 type="checkbox"/> 3-Point Belt <input type="checkbox"/> Motorbelt <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 checked="" 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 05100000	Par. Name(s) ENGINE	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
No. of Failures 2	Date(s) of Failure(s) 01-MAY-1994 Mileage at Failure(s) 46000 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 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Fire <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Number of Persons Injured 0	Number of Fatalities 0	Estimated Property Damage	Reported to Police <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
---	---	---------------------------------------	----------------------------------	---------------------------	---

NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

I PURCHASED A 1993 MERCEDES BENZ-300SD THROUGH A LOCAL BUSINESS MAN IN COLUMBIA, SC WHO HAD THE CAR ON LEASE. I PAID THE LEASING COMPANY, MERCEDES CORPORATION FOR THE CAR. THIS CAR HAD TO HAVE A NEW MOTOR AT 46,000 MILES. I AM NOW TOLD THAT I MIGHT HAVE TO HAVE ANOTHER MOTOR. I HAVE HAD TO REPACE THE MOTOR FOR THE FAN THAT RUNS THE AIR/HEAT; REPLACE UNITS THAT CONTROLS THE FACTORY INSTALLED TELEPHONE AND NOW AM BEING TOLD THAT THE NEW MOTOR WILL COST FROM \$10,000 TO \$12,000. I AM HAVING PROVLMS KEEPING FREON IN THE AIR CONDITIONER AND HAVE BEEN TOLD THAT THIS MIGHT COST UP TO \$2,500; ALSO I WAS TOLD THAT I NEED BUSHINGS WHICH HAS BEEN ESTIMATED AT \$2,000. I BELIEVE THAT I HAVE A LEMON SITUATION. I DID CONTACT THE COMPANY'S REPRESENTATIVE AND HE TELLS ME THAT THERE

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.

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

FOR AGENCY USE ONLY 258

Data Received

07-SEP-2000

 Od_or _____
 rt_dt _____
 od_rt _____
 up_ltr _____

Reference No.

730628

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> WDBGB34E8PA091828	Vehicle Make MERCEDES BENZ	Vehicle Model 300 SD	Vehicle Year 1993	Current Odometer Reading
---	--------------------------------------	--------------------------------	-----------------------------	--------------------------

Purchase Date 01-APR-1994	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Turbo <input type="checkbox"/> Diesel <input type="checkbox"/> Gas <input 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 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 checked="" 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 05100000	Par. Name(s) ENGINE	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
No. of Failures 2	Date(s) of Failure(s) 01-MAY-1994 Mileage at Failure(s) 46000 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 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Fire <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Number of Persons Injured 0	Number of Fatalities 0	Estimated Property Damage	Reported to Police <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
---	---	---------------------------------------	----------------------------------	---------------------------	---

NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

I PURCHASED A 1993 MERCEDES BENZ-300SD THROUGH A LOCAL BUSINESS MAN IN COLUMBIA, SC WHO HAD THE CAR ON LEASE. I PAID THE LEASING COMPANY, MERCEDES CORPORATION FOR THE CAR. THIS CAR HAD TO HAVE A NEW MOTOR AT 46,000 MILES. I AM NOW TOLD THAT I MIGHT HAVE TO HAVE ANOTHER MOTOR. I HAVE HAD TO REPACE THE MOTOR FOR THE FAN THAT RUNS THE AIR/HEAT; REPLACE UNITS THAT CONTROLS THE FACTORY INSTALLED TELEPHONE AND NOW AM BEING TOLD THAT THE NEW MOTOR WILL COST FROM \$10,000 TO \$12,000. I AM HAVING PROVLMS KEEPING FREON IN THE AIR CONDITIONER AND HAVE BEEN TOLD THAT THIS MIGHT COST UP TO \$2,500; ALSO I WAS TOLD THAT I NEED BUSHINGS WHICH HAS BEEN ESTIMATED AT \$2,000. I BELIEVE THAT I HAVE A LEMON SITUATION. I DID CONTACT THE COMPANY'S REPRESENTATIVE AND HE TELLS ME THAT THERE

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.