

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.

730696

 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) (located at front of windshield on drivers side)	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
1FTEX15NXTKA10944	FORD TRUCK	F150	1996	

Purchase Date 01-SEP-1995	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) 5-L V-	☐ Turbo ☐ Diesel ☐ Gas ☒ Fuel Injection
☒ New ☐ Used	City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____	No Cylinders _____	

Transmission Type ☐ Manual ☐ Automatic	Antilock Brakes ☒ Yes ☐ No	Restraint System ☒ 3-Point Belt ☐ Motorbell ☒ Driverside Airbag ☐ 2-Point Belt ☐ Passengerside Airbag	Cruise Control ☒ Yes ☐ No	Drive Train ☐ Front ☒ Rear ☐ 4-Wheel	Vehicle Type ☐ Car ☐ Sport Ult ☐ Van ☐ Truck ☐ Minivan ☐ Motorcycle ☐ Other _____	Body Style ☐ 2-Door ☐ 4-Door ☐ Stationwagon ☒ Pick Up Truck ☐ Other _____
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FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component 02740000	Part Name(s) TIRES: TREAD	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
No of Failures 2	Date(s) of Failure(s) 02-APR-1999 Mileage at Failure(s) 54000 Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) 70	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 ☐ Yes ☐ No	Fire ☐ Yes ☒ No	Number of Persons Injured 0	Number of Fatalities 0	Estimated Property Damage	Reported to Police ☐ Yes ☒ No
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

I HAD PURCHASED A NEW 1996 FORD F150 PICK-UP TRUCK. ON APRIL 2, 1999 WHILE DRIVING FROM BATON ROUGE TO HOUSTON ON HIGHWAY I10 THE REAR PASSENGER TIRE BLEW OUT (DRIVING AT 70 MPH). THE OUTER TREAD HAD BLOWN OFF BUT THE INNER TUBE MAINTAINED PRESSURE. WHEN IT BLEW, THE OUTER TREAD DESTROYED THE TAIL PIPE AS WELL AS THE TIRE-WELL MUD GUARD. THE TAIL PIPE WAS REPLACED. THE MUD GUARD WAS NOT (THE FRAME HOLE HOLDING ONE END OF THE GUARD WAS RIPPED OPEN AND IS NO LONGER USEABLE). ABOUT A MONTH LATER, THE TRUCK BEGAN EXPERIENCING SEVERE VIBRATION PROBLEMS (LOCAL DRIVING AT SPEEDS LESS THAN 45 MPH). THE FORD DEALER IDENTIFIED THE PROBLEM AS THE TREAD COMING LOOSE FROM THE TIRE ON THE FRONT PASSENGER SIDE. ON JUNE 18 1999 I HAD THE DEALER REPLACE THE REMAINING TIRE WITH NE

CONTINUED ON BACK (REVERSE)

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