

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.

732213

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 bottom of windshield or driver's side)</small> | Vehicle Make | Vehicle Model | Vehicle Year | Current Odometer Reading |
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| WAUBG74D3WND00822 | AUDI | A8 | 1998 | |

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|---|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Purchase Date 01-JAN-1998 | Dealer's Name _____ | Engine Size (CID/CCL) 4.2L | <input type="checkbox"/> Turbo <input type="checkbox"/> Diesel <input type="checkbox"/> Gas |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Used | City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ | No. Cylinders _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Fuel Injection |

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|--|---|--|--|---|---|---|
| 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"/> Driver Side Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> Passenger Side Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> Inertial Bell <input type="checkbox"/> 2-Point Belt | Cruise Control <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Drive Train <input type="checkbox"/> Front <input type="checkbox"/> Rear <input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4-Door <input type="checkbox"/> Station Wagon <input 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) |
|-----------|--|--|---|
| 12110000 | INTERIOR SYSTEMS; PASSIVE RESTRAINT; AIR BAG | <input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Front <input type="checkbox"/> Right <input type="checkbox"/> Rear | <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement |

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| No. of Failures 1 | Date(s) of Failure(s) 18-JAN-1998 Mileage at Failure(s) 2500 Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) 45 | Failed Part(s) Available? Yes No | NHTSA Previously Contacted? Yes 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.)

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|---|---|--------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Crash <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Fire <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | Number of Persons Injured 1 | Number of Fatalities 0 | 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)

SINGLE OCCUPANT IN VEHICLE (DRIVER) VEHICLE WAS FORCED OFF THE ROAD AND ENTERED A DITCH ABOUT THREE-FOUR FEET DEEP. PASSENGER'S AIR BAG, FRONT, FIRED. THE AUDI A8 CLEARLY STATES IN THE SALES LITERATURE THAT THE PASSENGER'S AIRBAG IS INTERLOCKED OUT WHEN NO PASSENGER IN THE VEHICLE. THE DRIVER WAS THE ONLY OCCUPANT AND THERE WERE NO PARCELS, SHOPPING BAGS, AND ETC. ON THE PASSENGER'S SEAT. AUDI & THE DEALERSHIP HAVE BEEN HIGHLY UNPLEASANT TO DEAL WITH CONCERNING THIS "PERFECTLY NORMAL OPERATION OF THE PASSENGER'S AIRBAG."

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.