

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) (Listed at front of windshield or drivers side)	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
WAUDA24B1XN008463	AUDI	A6	1999	

Purchase Date 01-DEC-1998	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) 2.80L	☐ 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 02611000	Part Name(s) WHEELS:RIM BASE	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
No of Failures 2	Date(s) of Failure(s) 16-SEP-1999 Mileage at Failure(s) 28500 Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) 60	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)

REAR RIMS FAILED AT HIGHWAY SPEED AFTER HITTING A SMALL OBJECT, SIMILAR TO A SMALL TREE BRANCH. THE LEFT REAR RIM WAS COMPLETELY RUINED AND INSTANTLY CAUSED THE TIRE TO DEFLATE, SIMILAR TO A BLOWOUT. THE "RING" OF THE RIM, ON WHICH THE TIRE IS MOUNTED, SEPARATED FROM THE FLAT CIRCLE THE GETS BOLTED ONTO THE AXEL ASSEMBLY. THE RIGHT REAR WAS DAMAGED ENOUGH TO REQUIRE REPLACEMENT, ACCORDING TO THE DEALER, ALTHOUGH I COULD NOT SEE ANY DAMAGE. (BECAUSE OF WORK HOURS, I WAS NEVER ABLE TO TALK TO THE DEALER'S REP IN PERSON.) THE CAR HAD NOT BEEN IN ANY SERIOUS INCIDENTS PRIOR TO ACCIDENT. THE DEALER AND AUDI CUSTOMER RELATIONS BOTH CLAIMED IT WAS A NON-WARRANTEE ITEM.*AK

CONTINUED ON BACK (RELEAS)

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.