

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.

735436

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>	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
1G2WP521XVF333453	PONTIAC	GRAND PRIX	1997	

Purchase Date <b>01-MAY-1997</b>	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) 3.8L	<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

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"/> Driverside Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> Passengerside Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> Motorbell <input type="checkbox"/> 2-Point Belt	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"/> Van <input type="checkbox"/> Minivan <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	Body Style <input type="checkbox"/> Sport Ult <input type="checkbox"/> Truck <input type="checkbox"/> Motorcycle <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2-Door <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4-Door <input type="checkbox"/> Stationwagon <input type="checkbox"/> Pick Up Truck <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
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## FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component 01400000 08100000	Par. Name(s) STEERING:GEAR:RACK AND PINION ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:BATTERY	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
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No. of Failures 1	Date(s) of Failure(s) 01-AUG-2000 Mileage at Failure(s) 77400 Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) 10	Failed Part(s) Available? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	NHTSA Previously Contacted? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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)

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

I WAS BACKING OUT OF PARKING SPACE AND WENT TO STRAIGHTEN MY WHEELS BACK UP ONLY TO HERE A POP LIKE SOMETHING WAS BROKE AND THE WHEEL WAS REAL HARD TO TURN. I TURNED THE WHEEL BACK THE OTHER WAY AND IT BECAME EASY TO TURN. THE STEERING WHEEL WAS HARD TO TURN SOMETIMES THEN EASY. THE STEERING WHEEL WAS ALSO ABOUT 10-15 DEGREES OF CENTERED. I WENT TO THREE SHOPS AND NONE WERE ABLE TO TELL ME WHAT WAS WRONG. MY STEERING RACK AND PINION WENT COMPLETELY OUT AND I HAD TO HAVE IT TOWED TO THE DEALER. COST \$1304. TO HAVE MINE REPLACED. LUCKILY I WAS TURNING INTO MY DRIVEWAY WHEN IT WENT OUT. POSITIVE BATTERY POST BROKE COMPLETELY OFF WHILE TESTING BATTERY. SOME ACID LEAKED IN BATTERY BAY.

CONTINUED ON BACK OF FORM

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.