



U.S. Department  
of Transportation  
National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration

Auto Safety Hotline

## Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire

NATIONWIDE 1-800-424-9393  
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INTERNET: <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov>

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Reference No.

739563

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 on driver's side)</small>	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
1B4GP44RTTB489027	DODGE TRUCK	GRAND CARAVA	1996	

Purchase Date 01-SEP-2098 <input type="checkbox"/> New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Used	Dealer's Name _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____	Engine Size (CID/CCL) 3.3L	<input type="checkbox"/> Turbo <input type="checkbox"/> Diesel <input type="checkbox"/> Gas <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fuel Injection
		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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3-Point Belt <input type="checkbox"/> Driverside Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> Passengerside Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> Motorbelt <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 <input type="checkbox"/> Sport Util Truck <input type="checkbox"/> Motorcycle	Body Style <input type="checkbox"/> 2-Door <input type="checkbox"/> 4-Door <input type="checkbox"/> Stationwagon <input type="checkbox"/> Pick Up Truck <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other
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### FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component 07300000	Part Name(s) POWER TRAIN:TRANSMISSION:AUTOMATIC	Location <input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Front <input type="checkbox"/> Right <input type="checkbox"/> Rear	Failed Part(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement
No. of Failures 2	Date(s) of Failure(s) 30-NOV-2000 Mileage at Failure(s) 79000 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
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### NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

WHEN THE VEHICLE COMES TO A STOP THE TRANSMISSION JUMPS AND THEN THE VEHICLE DIES. THIS ONLY HAPPENS WHEN THE VEHICLE IS IN THE FIRST GEAR. ONCE THE VEHICLE SHIFTS OUT OF FIRST GEAR IT DOES NOT HAVE ANY PROBLEM WITH SHIFTING. HOWEVER WHEN THE VEHICLE BEGINS TO DOWN SHIFT WHEN IT COMES TO A COMPLETE STOP AS THE TRANSMISSION SHIFTS TO FIRST GEAR IT BEGINS TO JERK, HESITATE AND THEN THE ENGINE DIES. THIS PROBLEM ALSO EXISTS IN REVERSE, OVERDRIVE, THIRD GEAR & LOW GEAR. THE TRANSMISSION WAS REPLACED BY THE DEALER AT 26000 MILES. I SERVICED THE TRANSMISSION EVERY 25000 MILES THEREAFTER. WITH ONLY 58000 ON THE "NEW" TRANSMISSION THE TORQUE CONVERTER AND FRONT PUMP HAVE FALLEN APART. IS THERE ANYTHING ON THIS VEHICLE THAT IS NOT A PIECE OF JUNK? OTHER PARTS

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.