

Auto Safety Hotline

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U.S. Department
of Transportation

National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration

Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire

NATIONWIDE 1-800-424-9393
DC METRO AREA (202) 366-0123
INTERNET: <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov>

Date Received

20-JAN-2001

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Reference No.

739665

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 dashboard on driver's side)</small>	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
3B7KF23D2YM501557	DODGE TRUCK	RAM	1997	

Purchase Date 01-NOV-2096 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Used	Dealer's Name _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____	Engine Size (CID/CCL) _____ 5.9 L No Cylinders _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Turbo <input type="checkbox"/> Diesel <input type="checkbox"/> Gas <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 type="checkbox"/> 3-Point Belt <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Driverside Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> Passengerside Airbag <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Motorbelt <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 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 06410000	Part Name(s) FUEL-THROTTLE LINKAGES AND CONTROL-PEDAL	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 3	Date(s) of Failure(s) 02-JAN-2001 Mileage at Failure(s) 73000 Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) 35	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)

THE FIRST REPAIR TO THE ACCELERATOR STICKING WAS DONE AT THE CADILLAC TRUCK CENTER IN CADILLAC, MICHIGAN. THE LAST TWO REPAIRS WERE DONE AT BONNEY MOTOR SALES IN LAKE CITY, MICHIGAN. I NOTIFIED THE DODGE CORPORATE HEADQUARTERS IN AUBURN HILLS, MICHIGAN, OF THIS PROBLEM IN NOVEMBER OF 1999 WITH NO RESPONSE. AT THAT TIME MY TRUCK HAD 56,000 MILES ON IT. THE LAST TIME I WROTE THEM A LETTER DATED JANUARY 5, 2001, AND ALSO SENT THEM THE BILL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$86.63 FOR ANOTHER REPAIR (#3) AT 73,000 MILES. THE MAIN CONCERN I HAVE OVER THIS IS THE SAFETY ISSUE. WHEN THE ACCERATOR STICKS, I HAVE TO PUT THE TRUCK INTO NEUTRAL AND WAIT FOR THE ACCELERATOR TO COME DOWN. I HAVE ALREADY GONE THROUGH A RED LIGHT BECAUSE OF THIS PROBLEM AND HAVE HAD SEVERAL

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.