



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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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
1FDEE14H6RHA02486	FORD TRUCK	E150	1994	

Purchase Date 01-NOV-2095	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CCL) _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Turbo <input type="checkbox"/> Diesel <input type="checkbox"/> Gas <input type="checkbox"/> Fuel Injection
<input type="checkbox"/> New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Used	City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____	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 type="checkbox"/> 3-Point Belt <input checked="" 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 checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Other
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FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component 01200000	Part Name(s) STEERING GEAR BOX	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 1	Date(s) of Failure(s) 09-FEB-2001 Mileage at Failure(s) 0 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 TURNING THE VEHICLE AT LESS THAN 5 MILES PER HOUR I HEARD A LOUD POP AND THE CAR SHUDDERED. MY STEERING WHEEL WAS THEN AT THE 2/7 POSITION INSTEAD OF THE 3/9 POSITION. TOOK THE CAR HOME FROM HERE. LATER DROVE AROUND THE CORNER (ABOUT 1/10 MILE) TO PICK UP KIDS FROM SCHOOL DANCE. STEERING WHEEL WAS NOW AT THE 6/12 POSITION. CONTACTED REPAIR SHOP ON SATURDAY 2/10. DROVE TO REPAIR SHOP ABOUT 1 1/2 MILES AWAY DOING ABOUT 25 MPH OR LESS. PARKED IT. MECHANIC CAME OUT TO SEE HOW MUCH PLAY WAS IN THE WHEEL, HEARD ANOTHER LOUD POP AND THE WHEEL PROCEEDED TO GO IN COMPLETE CIRCLES. INSPECTION BY MECHANIC SHOWED THAT ALL THREE BOLTS IN THE GEAR BOX HAD BROKEN. HEAD MECHANIC SAID THAT IN THE THIRTY SOME YEARS HE'S BEEN IN THE BUSINESS, THI

CONTINUE ON BACK IF NEEDED

The Privacy Act of 1974-Public Law 93-502 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.