



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

Auto Safety Hotline

Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire

NATIONWIDE 1-800-424-9393
DC METRO AREA (202) 366-0123
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) (Locate at bottom of windshield or driver's side door)	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
JN8AR05S8XW327861	NISSAN TRUCK	PATHFINDER	1999	

Purchase Date 01-FEB-2099	Dealer's Name	Engine Size (CID/CC/L)	☐ Turbo ☐ Diesel ☐ Gas ☐ Fuel Injection
☒ New ☐ Used	City State Zip Code	No Cylinders	

Transmission Type	Antilock Brakes	Restraint System	Cruise Control	Drive Train	Vehicle Type	Body Style
☐ Manual ☐ Automatic	☒ Yes ☐ No	☐ 3-Point Belt ☐ Driverside Airbag ☐ Passengerside Airbag ☐ Motorbelt ☐ 2-Point Bel	☒ Yes ☐ No	☒ Front ☐ Rear ☐ 4-Wheel	☐ Car ☐ Van ☐ Minivan ☐ Other	☐ Sport Util ☐ Truck ☐ Motorcycle ☐ 2-Door ☐ 4-Door ☐ Stationwagon ☐ Pick Up Truck ☒ Other

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component 12111000	Part Name(s) INTERIOR SYSTEMS: PASSENGER RESTRAINTS: AIR BAG: FRONT.	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
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No of Failure 2	Date(s) of Failure(s) 17-FEB-2001 27000 Mileage at Failure(s) 15	Failed Part(s) ☐ Yes ☐ No	NHTSA Previously ☐ Yes ☐ 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 ☐ Yes ☐ No	Fire ☐ Yes ☒ No	Number of Persons Injured 3	Number of Fatalities 0	Estimated Property Damag ☐ Yes ☐ No	Reported to Police ☒ Yes ☐ No
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

WE WERE HIT HEAD ON AT 50+MPH IN OUR 1999 NISSAN PATHFINDER. THE CAR WAS A TOTAL LOSS, THE AIR BAGS DID NOT DEPLOY. I CONTACTED NISSAN AND WAS TOLD THAT SOME TIMES THE AIR BAGS WORK, SOMETIMES THEY DONT AND WE CANNOT PUT THAT IN THE OWNERS MANUAL BECAUSE CONSUMERS WILL ASK, WHY HAVE AIRBAGS? WAS TOLD BY NISSAN THAT FOR AIRBAGS TO DEPLOY I WOULD HAVE TO APPLY THE BRAKES FIRST BEFORE AN UNEXPECTED HEAD ON COLLISION. MYSELF MY WIFE AND OUR 21 MONTH OLD CHILD WERE ALL INJURED. NISSAN SAID THEY WILL MAIL US THE SUPPLEMENT TO THE OWNERS MANUAL EXPLAINING WHY THE AIRBAGS DIDNOT GO OFF, THAT DOES ME A LOT OF GOOD NOW THAT WE ARE ALL INJURED. *AK

CONTINUE ON REVERSE

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.