



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) (Locate at bottom of windshield or driver's side door)	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
3GKEC16R3VG527983	GMC	SUBURBAN	1997	

Purchase Date 01-NOV-1997	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) 350	☐ Turbo ☐ Diesel ☐ Gas ☒ Fuel Injection
☒ New ☐ Used	City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____	No Cylinders _____	

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

Component 07300000	Part Name(s) POWER TRAIN:TRANSMISSION:AUTOMATIC	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
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No of Failure 1	Date(s) of Failure(s) 05-APR-2001 68000 Mileage at Failure(s) 65	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	Number of Fatalities	Estimated Property Damag	Reported to Police ☐ Yes ☒ No
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

ON A 400 MILE TRIP OVER EASTER WEEKEND, WE NOTICED THAT THE TRANSMISSION STARTED SHIFTING VERY HARD IN THE FIRST THROUGH THIRD GEARS. WE BECAME AWARE OF THE PROBLEM AS WE BEGAN DRIVING THE SUBURBAN AFTER A REST STOP. WE BECAME VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE TRANSMISSION WHEN WE TRIED TO PASS VEHICLES OF ACCELERATE UP HILLS AND IT SEEMED AS THOUGH THE OVERDRIVE WAS NOT ENGAGING. THE FOLLOWING DAY, I TOOK THE VEHICLE TO THE ONLY REPAIR SHOP IN A SMALL TOWN ON THE MISSISSIPPI GULF COAST. THEY ADVISED ME TO HAVE THE TRANSMISSION SERVICED, (REPLACE FILTER, AND FLUID). I PAID \$135 TO DO THAT. THE PROBLEM WAS NOT SOLVED. THE WEEK OF APRIL 16TH, THROUGH THE ADVISE OF A GMC CUSTOMER REP, I TOOK THE SUB TO THE DEALER IN HOPES THAT A COMPUTER UPGRADE WOULD SOLVE THE PROBLEM. THEY A

COPIES OF THIS FORM ARE:

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.