



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) (Location at bottom of windshield and driver's side door)	Vehicle Make DODGE TRUCK	Vehicle Model GRAND CARAVA	Vehicle Year 2000	Current Odometer Reading
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Purchase Date 01-APR-2000	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) _____	☐ 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 _____

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component 12310000 07460000	Part Name(s) INTERIOR SYSTEMS: SEAT TRACKS AND ANCHORS POWER TRAIN: AXLE ASSEMBLY	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
No of Failure 1	Date(s) of Failure(s) 31-JAN-2001 Mileage at Failure(s) 17000 61	Failed Part(s) ☐ Yes ☐ No	NHTSA Previously ☐ Yes ☐ 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 ☐ Yes ☐ No	Fire ☐ Yes ☒ No	Number of Persons Injured 1	Number of Fatalities 0	Estimated Property Damag 0	Reported to Police ☒ Yes ☐ No
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

MY GRAND CARAVAN WAS HIT FROM BEHIND WITH SUCH FORCE THE REAR OF THE VAN LIFTED OFF THE GROUND. AT IMPACT MY DRIVERS SEAT BROKE, RECLINING ME, MAKING IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR ME TO REACH THE BRAKES TO STOP MY VAN. I HIT THE CENTER MEDIAN (FAST LANE) WITH THE LEFT FRONT FENDER, BLOWING THE TIRE AND BREAKING AXLE THE VAN THEN BOUNCED ACROSS LANES HITTING BRIDGE RAILING AND CEMENT WALL WITH RIGHT FRONT FENDER BLOWING THAT TIRE AND THEN BACK TO THE MEDIAN (FAST LANE), AND CAME TO A STOP AGAINST THE MEDIAN. I WAS TOLD BY THE INSURANCE INVESTAGATOR MY CARAVAN WAS BEYOND REPAIR DUE TO THE AMOUNT OF DAMAGE.*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.