

U.S. Department
of TransportationNational 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)	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
1N6SD16Y9SC474611	NISSAN TRUCK	PICKUP	1995	

Purchase Date 01-JUN-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 01500000	Part Name(s) STEERING:LINKAGES	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
No of Failure	Date(s) of Failure(s) 12-FEB-2001 110776 Mileage at Failure(s) 5	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 0	Number of Fatalities	Estimated Property Damag	Reported to Police ☐ Yes ☒ No
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

I WAS MAKING A SLOW TURN, AND HEARD A LOUD 'THUNK'. AFTER THE TURN, I ACCELERATED SLOWLY, NOT KNOWING WHAT HAD HAPPEND, AND WHEN ABOVE 15 MPH., THE VEHICLE SHUDDERED VIOLENTLY, APPARENTLY BECAUSE THERE WAS NO LONGER ANY CONNECTION BETWEEN THE FRONT WHEELS. WE TRIED TO MAKE A U-TURN JUST UP THE ROAD, AND THE FRONT WHEELS WERE POINTING IN OPPOSITE DIRECTIONS! THE REPAIR FACILITY WHICH WE WERE TOWED TO SAID THE TIE RODS BECAME UNSCREWED, RATHER THAN BREAKING, AND THEY'D NEVER SEEN THAT HAPPEN BEFORE. HAD WE BEEN GOING AT ANY SPEED WHEN IT HAPPENED, THE VEHICLE MIGHT EASILY HAVE FLIPPED OVER, AND WE COULD HAVE BEEN KILLED. I WROTE TO NISSAN IN MARCH, WHEN WE RETURNED HOME, BUT HAVE HAD NO REPLY TO DATE.

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.