



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)	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
1B3EJ46X5VN606727	DODGE	STRATUS	1997	

Purchase Date 01-JUL-1997	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) 2.4L	☐ 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 08210000	Part Name(s) ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:WIRING:HARNES:FRONT:UNDERHOOD	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
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No of Failure 2	Date(s) of Failure(s) 21-MAY-2001 54000 Mileage at Failure(s) 30	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 0	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)

ENGINE STARTED SMELLING LIKE BURNT RUBBER, ALSO STARTED SMOKING, HEARING ELECTRICAL POPPING NOISE AND THEN ENGINE STARTED BURNING WITH THE GLOW OF FLAMES COMING FROM UNDER AND OUT OF THE ENGINE HOOD COMPARTMENT. MY CHILDREN AND I JUMPED OUT OF THE CAR CRYING AND VERY EXCITED, TRUAMATIZED BY THE SOLE FACT OF MAYBE GETTING BURNED UP IN THE CAR OR BLOWN UP. I THEN, WITHOUT HASTE, WENT TO MY APT. AND DIALED THE POLICE AT "911" AND WAS DISPATCHED OVER TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. AFTER, APPROXIMATELY 10 MINS., THE FIRE DEPARTMENT ARRIVED AND EXTINGHISED THE FIRE AND MADE THEIR REPORT AND SPEAKING WITH ME ABOUT THE TURN OF EVENTS PRIOR TO THE FIRE.*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.