



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) <small>(Lowercase letters "i" and "o" are not used.)</small>	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
1J4FJ68S7TL311468	JEEP	CHEROKEE	1996	

Purchase Date 01-NOV-1996	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) 4.0L	<input type="checkbox"/> Turbo <input type="checkbox"/> Diesel <input type="checkbox"/> Gas <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fuel Injectio
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Used	City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____	No Cylinders _____	

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

Component 12330000	Part Name(s) INTERIOR SYSTEMS:SEAT:MATERIAL	Location <input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Right <input type="checkbox"/> Front <input type="checkbox"/> Rear	Failed Part's <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement
No of Failure 1	Date(s) of Failure(s) 01-JUN-2001 126800 Mileage at Failure(s) 0	Failed Part(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	NHTSA Previously <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Fire <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Number of Persons Injured 0	Number of Fatalities 0	Estimated Property Damag	Reported to Police <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

THE DRIVER'S SEAT CUSHION FRAME BROKE AT THE WELDS. THIS CAUSED THE FRONT MOUNT OF THE CUSHION FRAME TO FRACTURE. THERE WAS NO WAY OF KNOWING THE WELDS HAD FRACTURED UNTIL THE LOWER MOUNT FINNALLY GAVE OUT. I WAS LUCKY THAT THIS HAPPENED WHEN I JUST GOT INTO THE JEEP. IF I HAD BEEN DRIVING DOWN THE FREEWAY, AND THE SEAT BROKE, I WOULD HAVE LOST CONTROL. I WENT THE MY LOCAL JEEP DEALERSHIP, SHOWED THEM THE BROKEN SEAT. THERE WAS NOTHING THEY COULD, BUT WERE WILLING TO ORDER THE PART. OF WHICH THERE WERE ONLY THREE AVAILABLE IN THE NATION. I TRIED TO LOCATE THE PART USED ON THE NATIONAL WEB OF SALVAGE YARDS. ON EVERY JEEP OF THIS YEAR AT THE SALVAGE YARD, THE FRONT DRIVER'S SEAT WAS ALREADY MISSING. I BELIEVE THIS IS A SAFETY ISSUE AND SHOULD BE LOOKED INTO. I STILL HAVE THE

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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.