



U.S. Department
of Transportation
**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

Auto Safety Hotline

Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire

NATIONWIDE 1-800-424-9393
DC METRO AREA (202) 366-0123
INTERNET: <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov>

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22-AUG-2001

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Reference No.

750959

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
1G8ZH127XWZ121794	SATURN	SC2	1998	

Purchase Date 01-APR-1998	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) <u>1.9L</u>	☐ 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 02750010	Part Name(s) TIRES:SIDEWALL	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
No of Failure 1	Date(s) of Failure(s) 26-JUL-2001 Mileage at Failure(s) 66000 65	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 0	Estimated Property Damag 0	Reported to Police ☐ Yes ☒ No
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

THIS TIRE SUFFERED A CATASTROPHIC FAILURE AT 65 M.P.H. FOR NO APPARENT REASON ON A STRAIGHT STRETCH OF HIGHWAY. I HAVE PERSONALLY CHECKED THE INFLATION AND WEAR PATTERNS ON THESE TIRES WEEKLY, INFLATING THEM PER SATURN'S RECOMENDED P.S.I (POSTED IN THE DOOR JAM). THESE TIRES ARE NOWHERE NEAR THE WEAR-BAR INDICATORS, AND SHOW ABSOLUTELY NO IRREGULAR WEAR DUE TO MISALIGNMENT ETC. ETC. THE SIDEWALLS COMPLETELY (AND INSTANTLY) SEPARATED FROM THE TREAD, IT IS A CLEAN SEPARATION SIMILAR TO THAT WHICH IS REGULARLY SEEN ON TRACTOR-TRAILER RETREAD FAILURES. I STILL POSSESS THE FAILED TIRE, AND SHOWED IT TO THE FIRESTONE DEALER. HE WAS REASONABLE, AND OFFERED ME A DISCOUNT RATE ON REPLACEMENT TIRES. THERE IS NO EXPLANATION FOR THIS FAILURE, AND IF IT WOULD HAVE OCCURRED

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