



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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Reference No.

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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>(Location at bottom of and/or above driver's side)</small>	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
1YVGF22C3W5690025	MAZDA	626	1998	

Purchase Date 01-NOV-2000	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) 4CL	<input type="checkbox"/> Turbo <input type="checkbox"/> Diesel <input type="checkbox"/> Gas <input type="checkbox"/> Fuel Injectio
<input type="checkbox"/> New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Used	City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____	No Cylinders _____	

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

### FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component 07300000	Part Name(s) POWER TRAIN:TRANSMISSION:AUTOMATIC	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) 22-AUG-2001 53000	Failed Part(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	NHTSA Previously <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	Mileage at Failure(s) 55		

### 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)

THIS HAS BEEN A MAJOR PROBLEM ON THE MAZDA 626. DEALERS ARE MAKING HUGE PROFITS BY NOT FIXING THE PART BUT THE WHOLE TRANSMISSION FOR A COST OF 2600 TO 3500 BASED ON MY RESEARCH. THERE ARE MANY POSTINGS ON THE INTERNET WITH THIS PROBLEM. ALL CARS EFFECTED THAT I HAVE RESEARCHED HAVE LESS THAN 100,000 MILES. ONE SOURCE SAID THAT THE TRANSMISSION MAY BE FAILING BECAUSE OF A FAULTY COMPUTER CHIP. WHY DO NOT THE DEALERS JUST REPLACE THE COMPUTER CHIP ON A RECALL IF THIS IS A PROBLEM? PROBABLY BECAUSE THEY ARE MAKING SO MUCH MONEY REPLACING THE TRANSMISSIONS.\*AK

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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.