



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 and door side) 3C4FY48B42T292046	Vehicle Make CHRYSLER TRUC	Vehicle Model PT CRUISER	Vehicle Year 2001	Current Odometer Reading
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Purchase Date 01-DEC-2001	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L 4 CYL)	☐ 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 13700000	Part Name(s) STRUCTURE:HOOD ASSEMBLY	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
No of Failure 1	Date(s) of Failure(s) 28-DEC-2001	Failed Part(s) ☐ Yes ☐ No	NHTSA Previously ☐ Yes ☐ No
	Mileage at Failure(s) 1200		
	Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) 0		

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)

HOOD DAMAGE IS EXPERIENCED DUE TO THE HOOD ROD BEING INSTALLED AT THE REAR NEXT TO THE FIREWALL. IF CLOSING THE HOOD IS ATTEMPTED PRIOR TO LOWERING THE ROD, THE ROD POPS UP INTO THE PROP CAVITY AND DAMAGES THE HOOD. THERE IS NO PROTECTION BETWEEN THE ROD AND THE HOOD. THIS IS A POOR DESIGN AND CHRYSLER SHOULD BE REQUIRED TO MAKE THE REPAIRS, PUT OUT A SERVICE BULLETIN TO ALL PT CRUISER OWNERS, ALONG WITH A WARNING LABEL, AND CORRECT THE DESIGN. A STOP SHOULD PREVENT THE ROD FROM PUSHING UP INTO THE CAVITY AND DAMAGING THE HOOD.*AK

COPIES OF THIS FORM ARE:

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.