



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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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 windshield)</small>	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
1G2HX52K5WH200879	PONTIAC	BONNEVILLE	1998	

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

Transmission Type <input type="checkbox"/> Manual <input type="checkbox"/> Automatic	Antilock Brakes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Restraint System <input type="checkbox"/> 3-Point Belt <input type="checkbox"/> Driverside Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> Passengerside Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> Motorbelt <input type="checkbox"/> 2-Point Bel	Cruise Control <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Drive Train <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Front <input type="checkbox"/> Rear <input type="checkbox"/> 4-Wheel	Vehicle Type <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	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 10220000	Part Name(s) VISUAL SYSTEMS:MIRRORS:REARVIEW:EXTERIOR	Location <input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Front <input type="checkbox"/> Right <input type="checkbox"/> Rear	Failed Part's <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement
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No of Failure 1	Date(s) of Failure(s) 02-MAR-2002	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) 77000		
	Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) 30		

### 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)

**RIGHT REAR-VIEW MIRROR EXPLODED. EXPLOSION SO LOUD AND FREIGHTENING THAT I THOUGHT A BOMB HAD HIT MY CAR. I WAS 2 BLOCKS FROM MY DRIVEWAY. I STOPPED IMMEDIATELY AS I THOUGHT ENTIRE RIGHT SIDE OF CAR WAS DESTROYED FROM JUST THE SOUND OF THE EXPLOSION. THERE IS NOT A MARK ON MY CAR NOR THE OUTSIDE OF THE MIRROR FRAMING. THE MIRROR ITSELF WAS BLOWN TO DUST. THE ENTIRE MIRROR FRAMING, ETC. WAS LEFT HANGING DOWN AND HELD ON BY A SMALL PLUG-IN TYPE RECEPTACLE JUST BARELY HANGING ON TO A BLOWN OUT PLASTIC HOLE FROM THE CAR. I HAVE NO REAR VIEW MIRROR NOW ON THE RIGHT SIDE. I HAVE THE ENTIRE MIRROR MOUNTING IN MY BACK SEAT AND 3 MECHANICS HAVE NEVER HEARD OF SUCH A THING. IT WAS THE WORST EXPLOSION I HAVE EVER EXPERIENCED.**

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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.