



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>(Location at bottom of and/or above windshield)</small>	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
1GHDX23E81D108161	OLDSMOBILE TRU	SILHOUETTE	2001	

Purchase Date 01-JAN-2001	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) 3.3	<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Restraint System <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3-Point Belt <input type="checkbox"/> Motorbelt <input type="checkbox"/> Driverside Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> 2-Point Bel <input type="checkbox"/> Passengerside Airbag	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"/> 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 type="checkbox"/> 4-Door <input type="checkbox"/> Stationwagon <input type="checkbox"/> Pick Up Truck <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other _____
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### FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component 12340000	Part Name(s) INTERIOR SYSTEMS:SEAT HEAD RESTRAINTS	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 100	Date(s) of Failure(s) 31-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) 16000		
	Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) 1		

### 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 VEHICLE DEFECT INVOLVES POOR VISIBILITY FROM THE INTERIOR OF THE VEHICLE WHILE DRIVING. THERE IS HARDLY ANY RIGHT REAR VISION ; REDUCED VISION FROM THE FRONT MIRROR THRU THE REAR WINDOW; REDUCED VISION FROM THE DRIVERS SEAT TO THE LEFT REAR. THE PROBLEM IS PRESENT WHEN CHANGING LANES AND BACKING. THE PROBLEM IS CAUSED BY OVERSIZED HEADRESTS ON THE MIDDLE SEATS WHICH ARE CAPTAINS CHAIRS. THE HEADRESTS ARE 9" IN HEIGHT AND AS WIDE AS THE SEAT. THE PROBLEM IS FURTHER EXACERBATED BY THE BLACKENED TINTED WINDOWS. WHEN DRIVING YOU MUST CONTINUOUSLY RELY ON YOUR SIDE VIEW MIRROR AS THER IS NO VISION TO THE RIGHT REAR. I FREQUENTLY DRIVE WITH THE RIGHT MIDDLE SEAT FOLDED UP SO AS TO HAVE VISION BU

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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.