



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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05-JAN-2000

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Reference No.

854742

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) _____ (located at front of windshield on drivers side)		Vehicle Make AUDI	Vehicle Model A6	Vehicle Year 1999	Current Odometer Reading
Purchase Date	Dealer's Name _____		Engine Size (CID/CC/L) _____	☐ 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 ☐ Motorbell ☐ Driverside Airbag ☐ 2-Point Belt ☐ Passengerside Airbag	Cruise Control ☐ Yes ☒ No	Drive Train ☐ Front ☐ Rear ☐ 4-Wheel	Vehicle Type ☐ Car ☐ Sport Ult ☐ Van ☐ Truck ☐ Minivan ☐ Motorcycle ☐ Other _____
Body Style ☐ 2-Door ☐ 4-Door ☐ Stationwagon ☐ Pick Up Truck ☐ Other _____					

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component 12250000	Part Name(s) INTERIOR SYSTEMS:ACTIVE RESTRAINTS:BELT BUCKLES	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
No of Failures	Date(s) of Failure(s) <u>04-APR-1999</u> Mileage at Failure(s) <u>100</u> Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) _____	Failed Part(s) Available? ☐ Yes ☐ No	NHTSA Previously Contacted? ☐ 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	Number of Fatalities	Estimated Property Damage	Reported to Police ☐ Yes ☒ No
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

DESIGN OF FEMALE PART OF SEAT BELT BUCKLE ON DRIVER'S AND PASSENGER'S SIDES IS DOWN TOO FAR, WHICH MAY DISCOURAGE THE OCCUPANTS FROM USING THE SEAT BELTS. TH SEAT BELTS ARE VERY DIFFICULT TO FASTEN, ESPECIALLY ON THE PASSENGER'S SIDE. PLEASE PROVIDE ANY FURTHER INFORMATION. *AK

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OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)

Work Number

Home Number

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Signature of Owner

Date 01/19/00

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Vehicle Make

Vehicle Model

Vehicle Year

Current Odometer Reading

WAUDA2484XN066115

AUDI

A6

1999

3,053

Purchase Date

5/04/99

Dealer's Name H.M. Brown Nissan Inc. - Pin

Auto Sales & Leasing

City Englewood State CO Zip Code 80111-6418

Engine Size

(CID/CC/L)

☐ Turbo☐ Diesel☐ Gas☐ Fuel Injection

No Cylinders

6

Transmission Type

☐ Manual☒ Automatic

Antilock Brakes

☒ Yes☐ No

Restraint System

☒ 3-Point Belt☐ Motorbelt☐ Driverside Airbag☐ 2-Point Belt☐ Passengerside Airbag

Cruise Control

☐ Yes☒ No

Drive Train

☐ Front☐ Rear☒ 4-Wheel

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Station Wagon

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Failed Part(s)

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Owner's comment: I believe the manufacturer could design and install an adapter to correct the problem. I have owned & driven many cars - but none has been so poorly designed for use of a seat belt.

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