

U.S. Department
of TransportationNational Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration

DOT Auto Safety Hotline

Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire (VOQ)

NATIONWIDE 1-888-DASH-2-DOT

1-888-327-4236

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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.) (located at front of vehicle left of driver's seat)	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
WVWMA63B7WED66555	VOLKSWAGEN	PASSAT	1998	

Purchase Date	Dealer's Name	Engine Size (CID/CCL)	☐ 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 ☐ Driverside Airbag ☐ Passengerside Airbag ☐ Motorbelt ☐ 2-Point Belt	Cruise Control ☐ Yes ☒ No	Drive Train ☐ Front ☐ Rear ☐ 4-Wheel	Vehicle Type ☐ Car ☐ Van ☐ Minivan ☐ Other	Body Style ☐ Sport Vlt ☐ Truck ☐ Motorcycle ☐ 2-Door ☐ 4-Door ☐ Stationwagon ☐ Pick Up Truck ☐ Other
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FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component 01550000 02120010	Part Name(s) STEERING:LINKAGES;TIE ROD INNER SUSPENSION:MACPHERSON STRUT	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
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No. of Failures	Dates of Failure(s) 01-FEB-2000	Failed Part(s) Available?	NHTSA Previously Contacted?
	Mileage at Failure(s) 20	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
	Vehicle Speed at Failure(s)		

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)

WHILE DRIVING TIE RODS ARE MAKING NOISE DUE TO A DEFECTIVE TIE ROD SEAL NOT BEING PROPERLY APPLIED. RECALL 99V248 DEALS WITH THIS PROBLEM. BUT THIS VEHICLE IS NOT INCLUDED. ALSO, REPLACED THE STRUTS. DEALER SAID THAT CONSUMER WOULD NEED TO REPLACE THE TIE ROD SEALS. PLEASE PROVIDE FURTHER INFORMATION. "AK

CONTINUE ON BACK IF NEEDED

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.