



DOT Auto Safety Hotline
Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire (VOQ)

NATIONWIDE 1-888-DASH-2-DOT
 1-888-327-4236
 www.nhtsa.dot.gov/hotline

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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>(Listed at front of windshield or driver's side)</small>	Vehicle Make HONDA	Vehicle Model ACCORD	Vehicle Year 1994	Current Odometer Reading	
Purchase Date	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Turbo	<input type="checkbox"/> Diesel	
<input type="checkbox"/> New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Used	City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____	No. Cylinders _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Gas	<input type="checkbox"/> Fuel Injection	
Transmission Type <input type="checkbox"/> Manual <input type="checkbox"/> Automatic	Antilock Brakes <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Restraint System <input type="checkbox"/> 3-Point Belt <input type="checkbox"/> Motorbell <input type="checkbox"/> Driverside Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> 2-Point Belt <input type="checkbox"/> Passengerside Airbag	Cruise Control <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Drive Train <input type="checkbox"/> Front <input type="checkbox"/> Rear <input type="checkbox"/> 4-Wheel	Vehicle Type <input type="checkbox"/> Car <input type="checkbox"/> Sport Ult <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 type="checkbox"/> Other _____					

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component 05150000 12422000	Part Name(s) ENGINE:OTHER PARTS INTERIOR SYSTEMS:INSTRUMENT PANEL:GAUGE:INDICATOR:OIL	Location <input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Right <input type="checkbox"/> Frnt <input type="checkbox"/> Rear	Failed Part(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement
No. of Failures	Date(s) of Failure(s) _____ Mileage at Failure(s) _____ Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) _____	Failed Part(s) Available? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	NHTSA Previously Contacted? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Fire <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Number of Persons Injured	Number of Fatalities	Estimated Property Damage	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)

WHILE TRAVELING NOTICED OIL INDICATOR LIGHT. DEALER STATED VEHICLE HAS A BAD OIL SEAL. PLEASE PROVIDE FURTHER INFORMATION. *AK

CONTINUED ON BACK PLEASE

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Home No: [Redacted]
Work Number: [Redacted]

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Signature of Owner: [Redacted]
Date: 10/2/2000

Vehicle Identification No. (VIN): LHGCD56798RA164307
Vehicle Make: HONDA
Vehicle Model: ACCORD
Vehicle Year: 1994
Current Odometer Reading: 137,100

Purchase Date: July 94
Dealers Name: Route Honda - 1-800-277-0599
City: STAUNTON VA Zip Code: 24401
Engine Size: 2.0L
Fuel Injection: Turbo Diesel Gas

Transmission Type: Automatic Manual
Antilock Brakes: Yes No
Restraint System: 3-Point Belt Motorized 2-Point Belt
Cruise Control: Yes No
Drive Train: Front Rear 4-Wheel
Vehicle Type: Car Van Minivan Motorcycle Truck Sport Utility
Body Style: 2-Door 4-Door Station Wagon Pick Up Truck Other

Component: 05150000
Part Name(s): ENGINE; OTHER PARTS
Interior Systems: INSTRUMENT PANEL; GAUGE; INDICATOR; OIL
Location: Front Left Right
Failed Part(s): Original Replacement
No. of Failures: 2
Date(s) of Failure(s): 9-12-00
Mileage at Failure(s): [Redacted]
Vehicle Speed at Failure(s): [Redacted]
Failed Part(s) Available? Yes No
NHTSA Previously Contacted? Yes No

Application Incident Information
Crash: Yes No
Fire: Yes No
Number of Persons Injured: [Redacted]
Number of Fatalities: [Redacted]
Estimated Property Damage: [Redacted]
Reported to Police: Yes No

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OIL SEAL POPPED OUT
HONDA RECORD FOR DEFECTIVE OIL SEAL
AS REPORTED IN NY TIMES 8-19-00
DEFECTIVE WIRING IN AUDIO EQUIPMENT

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est debtor, and the new package will add further liabilities to be financed. Earlier this month, Moody's Investors Service lowered its credit rating on Japanese government bonds for

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governing party's policy-making arm and a critic of colleagues who advocate fiscal restraint, said the government was likely to issue con-

to 63 trillion for refinancing the following year. By the fiscal year 2006, almost 100 trillion yen in bonds will be needed just to refinance public

loan program when he ca the special program that require any rigorous checks?" Mr. Okue said.

Honda Warns the Owners Of Over 500,000 Vehicles

By MIKI TANIKAWA

TOKYO, Sept. 19 — The Honda Motor Company today became the third major Japanese company in the last month to issue an extensive product recall, warning owners of 581,924 vehicles that they might have potential oil leaks or audio wiring flaws that could cause fires.

The recall was announced against a background of heightened sensitivity in corporate Japan about defective products. Earlier this month, the Transport Ministry punished the Mitsubishi Motors Corporation for systematically concealing consumer complaints about its cars and trucks for more than 20 years.

Honda said the recall had no relation to Mitsubishi's scandal, which resulted in the recall of one million Mitsubishi vehicles. "It's just that the timing of the announcement came at this moment," Honda said

through a spokesman. "It's best to do it fast, but we had to study and assess the case before submitting it."

Honda, the No. 2 Japanese automaker behind Toyota Motor, said the recall affected vehicles sold mostly in Japan but included some Accord models sold in the United States.

The company said wiring in audio equipment supplied by Alpine Electronics for 320,710 of its 1991-97 models that include the Accord, Prelude and Legend could overheat and cause speakers to ignite. Eleven instances of flare-ups or burning had been reported since June but no deaths or injuries.

Honda said a defective oil seal that could cause leaks affected 231,214 of its 1993-95 models that include the Odyssey minivan and the Accord. No deaths or injuries were associated with the problem.

Recalls are considered particularly embarrassing to Japanese manufacturers, historically known for their quality products.



Hiroyuki Yoshino, president of the Honda Motor Company, introduced the new model of the Odyssey minivan last year. He announced yesterday that large numbers of its cars might have

Automotive recalls in particular have been rising in Japan for years. According to the Ministry of Transport, there were 45 recalls in 1995 involving 150,000 vehicles. By last year, there were 132 recalls affecting 1.85 million vehicles.

Takaki Nakanishi, an automobile

analyst with Merrill Lynch said the growth in recalls reflected efforts by manufacturers to cut costs. "They may use economic materials or cut phases of physical tests," he said. "The surge in recalls, he said, flip side of the coin."

WORLD BUSINESS BRIEFING

But net profit rose only 6 percent, to

could lead to the sale of Granada Compa