



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) (Location at bottom of windshield and driver's side door)	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
4B3AG52H31E209043	DODGE	STRATUS	2001	

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	Antilock Brakes	Restraint System	Cruise Control	Drive Train	Vehicle Type	Body Style
☐ Manual ☐ Automatic	☐ Yes ☒ No	☐ 3-Point Belt ☐ Driverside Airbag ☐ Passengerside Airbag ☐ Motorbelt ☐ 2-Point Belt	☐ Yes ☒ No	☐ Front ☐ Rear ☐ 4-Wheel	☐ Car ☐ Van ☐ Minivan ☐ Other	☐ 2-Door ☒ 4-Door ☐ Stationwagon ☐ Pick Up Truck ☐ Other

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component 08240000	Part Name(s) ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:WIRING:OTHER PART	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
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No. of Failure	Date(s) of Failure(s) 15-SEP-2001 2900 Mileage at Failure(s)	Failed Part(s) ☐ Yes ☐ No	NHTSA Previously ☐ Yes ☐ No
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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 CONSUMER'S SON FELL ASLEEP AND KNOCKED WATER OFF CUP HOLDER ONTO FLOORBOARD. STARTED TO SMELL WIRES BURNING, AND HEARD CRACKLING NOISES. CONTACTED FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND WAS INFORMED THAT WIRES UNDER FRONT SEAT WERE EXPOSED AND CAUSING THE NOISE. INDICATED TO LET WIRES DRY BEFORE USING VEHICLE. AFTER DRYING STARTED VEHICLE AND CRACKLING NOISE WAS STILL HEARD UNTIL FUSE WAS REMOVED. CONTACTED MANUFACTURER, AND INFORMED CONSUMER THAT IT WAS NOT THEIR PROBLEM, IT WAS OWNER'S FAULT.*AK

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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.