



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)	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
4A3AC54H04E170059	MITSUBISHI	ECLIPSE	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
☐ Manual ☐ Automatic	☐ Yes ☒ No	☐ 3-Point Belt ☐ Motorbelt ☐ Driverside Airbag ☐ 2-Point Bel ☐ Passengerside Airbag	☒ Yes ☐ No	☐ Front ☐ Rear ☐ 4-Wheel
Vehicle Type	Body Style			
☐ Car ☐ Sport Util ☐ Van ☐ Truck ☐ Minivan ☐ Motorcycle ☐ Other _____	☐ 2-Door ☐ 4-Door ☐ Stationwagon ☐ Pick Up Truck ☐ Other _____			

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component 07460000	Part Name(s) POWER TRAIN:AXLE ASSEMBLY	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
No of Failure 1	Date(s) of Failure(s) 27-SEP-2001 Mileage at Failure(s) 5002 38	Failed Part(s) ☐ Yes ☐ No	NHTSA Previously ☐ 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 1	Number of Fatalities 0	Estimated Property Damag _____	Reported to Police ☒ Yes ☐ No
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

WHILE DRIVING APPROXIMATELY 38 MPH RIGHT REAR AXLE BROKE, AND CONTROL OF THE VEHICLE WAS LOST. VEHICLE CRASHED, RESULTING IN A TOTAL LOSS VEHICLE. DRIVER'S SON SUSTAINED HEAD INJURIES. NO DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE AS TO REASON FOR THIS PROBLEM. PLEASE PROVIDE ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION / ATTACHMENTS.*AK

COPIES OF THIS FORM ARE:

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.