



U.S. Department
of Transportation
**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

ODI RESUME

INVESTIGATION: EA02-029
DATE OPENED: 16-Oct-02 DATE CLOSED:
SUBJECT: Hood Latch Failure
PROMPTED BY: PE02-045 (Cheryl Tuosto)
PRINCIPAL ENGINEER: Cheryl Tuosto

MANUFACTURER: DaimlerChrysler Corporation
MODEL(S): Jeep Grand Cherokee
MODEL YEAR(S): 1997
VEHICLE POPULATION: 262,135

PROBLEM DESCRIPTION: The hood latch assembly on model year (MY) 1997 Jeep Grand Cherokee sport utility vehicles allegedly fail, causing the hood to open without warning while the vehicle is in motion.

FAILURE REPORT SUMMARY

	ODI	DaimlerChrysler	TOTAL
COMPLAINTS:	1	18	19
CRASHES:	0	0	0
INJ. CRASHES:	0	0	0
# INJURIES:	0	0	0
FATAL CRASHES	0	0	0
# FATALITIES	0	0	0
FIRES	0	0	0
OTHERS	0	0	0

ACTION: An Engineering Analysis (EA) has been opened.

ENGINEER: Cheryl Tuosto DIV CHF: [Signature]

OFC DIR: [Signature]

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SUMMARY REPORT: See attached summary.

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