



U.S. Department  
of Transportation

**National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration**

## ODI RESUME

Investigation: EA 05-012

Prompted By: PE05-019

Date Opened: 08/19/2005

Date Closed: 10/20/2005

Principal Investigator: Cynthia Glass

Subject: Finger Pinch Point

Manufacturer: Nissan North America, Inc.

Products: 2004 Nissan Quest

Population: 65,522

Problem Description: Consumers allege injuries to the finger while adjusting the second row seat.

### FAILURE REPORT SUMMARY

	ODI	Manufacturer	Total
Complaints:	5	12	11
Crashes/Fires:	0	0	0
Injury Incidents:	5	12	11
# Injuries:	5	12	11
Fatality Incidents:	0	0	0
# Fatalities:	0	0	0
Other*:	0	0	0

\*Description of Other:

Action: This investigation is closed. Nissan is conducting a safety recall (NHTSA recall no. 05V474).

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Summary: The seat adjustment mechanism contains exposed moving components, located at the rear edge of the second row seat. When the operator attempts to adjust the seat, a finger may be pinched in the moving seat adjustment mechanism.

Nissan will conduct a safety recall on an expanded scope of Nissan Quest vehicles. On vehicles produced from March 26, 2003 through September 26, 2005, Nissan will rivet a plastic reinforcement to the backside of the existing seat back cover carpeting, install three tie-downs and install a flange to the inboard side shield. On vehicles produced from March 26, 2003 through June 28, 2004, in addition to the above corrective actions, Nissan will replace the inboard second row seat adjustment handle with the current production seat lever.

Nissan North America, Inc. will recall 109,437 MY 2004-2005 Nissan Quest vehicles produced from March 26, 2003 through September 26, 2005. ODI is aware of a total of 11 complaints, field reports and warranty claims reporting 11 finger injuries. The recall is identified by NHTSA number 05V474.

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