



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

# ODI RESUME

Investigation: PE 06-019  
Date Opened: 05/17/2006      Date Closed: 09/19/2006  
Principal Investigator: Robert Young  
Subject: Broken Spoke/Tire Deflation

Manufacturer: Triumph Motorcycles America Ltd  
Products: MY 2001-06 Triumph Motorcycles With Laced Wheels  
Population: Confidential

Problem Description: Broken rear wheel spoke may puncture tire inner tube, resulting in sudden air loss.

## FAILURE REPORT SUMMARY

	ODI	Manufacturer	Total
Complaints:	6	1	6
Crashes/Fires:	0	0	0
Injury Incidents:	0	0	0
# Injuries:	0	0	0
Fatality Incidents:	0	0	0
# Fatalities:	0	0	0
Other*:	0	0	0

\*Description of Other:

Action: No Safety Defect trend identified. Close this PE.

Engineer: Bob Young

Date: 09/19/2006

Div. Chief: Richard Boyd *RB*

Date: 09/19/2006

Office Dir.: Kathleen C. DeMeter

Date: 09/19/2006

Summary: This PE was opened on the basis of 6 owner allegations concerning rear wheel spoke breakage with resulting rear tire inner-tube puncturing. No crashes were or have been alleged. After gathering information concerning this issue from subject vehicle owners, Triumph dealers, and Triumph Motorcycles Ltd, we find no defect trend currently exists concerning this subject. Should circumstances change as a result of our continued monitoring, we will take appropriate action.

The closing of this investigation does not constitute a finding by NHTSA that no safety-related defect exists. The agency reserves the right to take further action if warranted by the circumstances.

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