



# National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Data Summary

<b>Location:</b>	HAZELTON, PA	<b>Accident Number:</b>	NYC00LA101
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	03/01/2000, 0930 EST	<b>Registration:</b>	N67639
<b>Aircraft:</b>	Cessna 152	<b>Injuries:</b>	1 None
<b>Flight Conducted Under:</b>	Part 91: General Aviation - Personal		

## Analysis

While landing on runway 10, the airplane initially touched down on the right main landing gear first and the nose shifted unexpectedly to the left. The pilot centered the rudder and inputted left aileron in an attempt to get the left main landing gear on the ground; however, the airplane continued to drift to the left. The airplane departed the left side of the runway, and came to rest in a ditch. Winds reported at a nearby airport were from 340 degrees at 4 knots.

## Probable Cause

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be: The pilot's failure to maintain directional control while landing with a crosswind.

## Findings

Occurrence #1: LOSS OF CONTROL - ON GROUND/WATER  
Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

### Findings

1. WEATHER CONDITION - CROSSWIND
2. (C) DIRECTIONAL CONTROL - NOT MAINTAINED - PILOT IN COMMAND

Occurrence #2: ON GROUND/WATER ENCOUNTER WITH TERRAIN/WATER  
Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

### Findings

3. TERRAIN CONDITION - DITCH

## Pilot Information

<b>Certificate:</b>	Private	<b>Age:</b>	31
<b>Airplane Rating(s):</b>	Single-engine Land	<b>Instrument Rating(s):</b>	None
<b>Other Aircraft Rating(s):</b>	None	<b>Instructor Rating(s):</b>	None
<b>Flight Time:</b>	79 hours (Total, all aircraft), 55 hours (Total, this make and model), 44 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 13 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 10 hours (Last 30 days, all aircraft), 2 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

## Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

<b>Aircraft Make:</b>	Cessna	<b>Registration:</b>	N67639
<b>Model/Series:</b>	152 152	<b>Engines:</b>	1 Reciprocating
<b>Operator:</b>	AERO-SMITH INC	<b>Engine Manufacturer:</b>	Lycoming
<b>Operating Certificate(s) Held:</b>	None	<b>Engine Model/Series:</b>	O-235-L2C
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## Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

<b>Conditions at Accident Site:</b>	Visual Conditions	<b>Condition of Light:</b>	Day
<b>Observation Facility, Elevation:</b>	AVP, 545 ft msl	<b>Weather Information Source:</b>	Weather Observation Facility
<b>Lowest Ceiling:</b>	None / 0 ft agl	<b>Wind Speed/Gusts, Direction:</b>	4 knots / , 340°
<b>Temperature:</b>	6° C	<b>Visibility</b>	10 Miles
<b>Precipitation and Obscuration:</b>			
<b>Departure Point:</b>	MARTINSBURG, WV (MRB)	<b>Destination:</b>	(HZL)

## Airport Information

<b>Airport:</b>	HAZELTON MUNICIPAL (HZL)	<b>Runway Surface Type:</b>	Asphalt
<b>Runway Used:</b>	10	<b>Runway Surface Condition:</b>	Dry
<b>Runway Length/Width:</b>	4898 ft / 100 ft		

## Wreckage and Impact Information

<b>Crew Injuries:</b>	1 None	<b>Aircraft Damage:</b>	Substantial
<b>Passenger Injuries:</b>	N/A	<b>Aircraft Fire:</b>	None
<b>Ground Injuries:</b>	N/A	<b>Aircraft Explosion:</b>	None
<b>Latitude, Longitude:</b>			

## Administrative Information

<b>Investigator In Charge (IIC):</b>	STEPHEN M DEMKO	<b>Adopted Date:</b>	03/02/2001
<b>Investigation Docket:</b>	NTSB accident and incident docket serve as permanent archival information for the NTSB's investigations. Dockets released prior to June 1, 2009 are publicly available from the NTSB's Record Management Division at <a href="mailto:pubinq@ntsb.gov">pubinq@ntsb.gov</a> , or at 800-877-6799. Dockets released after this date are available at <a href="http://dms.nts.gov/pubdms/">http://dms.nts.gov/pubdms/</a> .		

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