



National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Data Summary

Location:	WADSWORTH, OH	Accident Number:	ATL87DEI01
Date & Time:	01/02/1987, 1611 EST	Registration:	N3296D
Aircraft:	CESSNA 180	Injuries:	3 Serious
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 91: General Aviation - Personal		

Analysis

THE AIRPLANE REPORTEDLY COMPLETED AN NDB APPCH TO RWY 02. THE PLT REPORTED THAT HE CIRCLED THE RWY TWICE AFTER ARRIVING AT THE ARPT TO CHECK THE RWY CONDITION. HE SUBSEQUENTLY LANDED ON RWY 20 WHERE HE 'IMPACTED SOMETHING ON RUNWAY OR HIT AIR POCKET, DID NOT KNOW'. HE THEN 'ADDED POWER TO MAINTAIN CONTROL OF (ACFT).' FROM THAT POINT ON HE WAS UNABLE TO REMEMBER THE REMAINING EVENTS. A WITNESS REPORTED SEEING THE ACFT DESCEND NOSE-DOWN ALMOST VERTICALLY FROM LESS THAN 100 FT AGL, AND SUBSEQUENTLY IMPACT THE GROUND. THE POINT OF IMPACT WAS APPROX 2000 FT OF THE DEPARTURE END OF RWY 20.

Probable Cause

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be:

Findings

Occurrence #1: LOSS OF CONTROL - IN FLIGHT
Phase of Operation: GO-AROUND (VFR)

Findings

1. (C) REASON FOR OCCURRENCE UNDETERMINED

Occurrence #2: IN FLIGHT COLLISION WITH TERRAIN/WATER
Phase of Operation: DESCENT - UNCONTROLLED

Findings

2. (F) STALL - INADVERTENT - PILOT IN COMMAND

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Private	Age:	37
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine Land	Instrument Rating(s):	Airplane
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Instructor Rating(s):	None
Flight Time:	571 hours (Total, all aircraft), 319 hours (Total, this make and model), 319 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 79 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 22 hours (Last 30 days, all aircraft), 5 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	CESSNA	Registration:	N3296D
Model/Series:	180 180	Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Operator:	DANE H JORGENSEN	Engine Manufacturer:	CONTINENTAL
Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None	Engine Model/Series:	O-470 R
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Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Instrument Conditions	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	CLE, 1228 ft msl	Weather Information Source:	Weather Observation Facility
Lowest Ceiling:	Overcast / 400 ft agl	Wind Speed/Gusts, Direction:	/ , 280°
Temperature:	1°C	Visibility	2 Miles
Precipitation and Obscuration:			
Departure Point:	STATESVILLE, NC (SVH)	Destination:	

Airport Information

Airport:	WADSWORTH MUNI (3G3)	Runway Surface Type:	Asphalt
Runway Used:	2	Runway Surface Condition:	Snow--dry
Runway Length/Width:	3535 ft / 75 ft		

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 Serious	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:	2 Serious	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Latitude, Longitude:			

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC): ROBERT A FRANCE

Adopted Date: 05/09/1988

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