



National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Data Summary

Location:	EDEN, NC	Accident Number:	ATL88LA051
Date & Time:	12/02/1987, 1500 EST	Registration:	N8674U
Aircraft:	CESSNA 172F	Injuries:	1 None
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 91: General Aviation - Personal		

Analysis

THE STUDENT PLT ATTEMPTED TO LAND IN A FARM PASTURE ADJACENT TO HIS BROTHER'S FARM. THE AIRPLANE LDG GEAR 'DUG IN' ON LDG, AND THE AIRPLANE NOSED OVER. THE STUDENT PLT DESCRIBED THE TERRAIN AS 'WET & SOGGY'. THE STUDENT DID NOT HAVE AN INSTRUCTOR'S ENDORSEMENT FOR THE FLT.

Probable Cause

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

Findings

Occurrence #1: NOSE OVER

Phase of Operation: LANDING - FLARE/TOUCHDOWN

Findings

1. (F) TERRAIN CONDITION - SOFT
2. (F) TERRAIN CONDITION - WET
3. (C) UNSUITABLE TERRAIN OR TAKEOFF/LANDING/TAXI AREA - SELECTED - PILOT IN COMMAND

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Student	Age:	53
Airplane Rating(s):	None	Instrument Rating(s):	None
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Instructor Rating(s):	None
Flight Time:	163 hours (Total, all aircraft), 97 hours (Total, this make and model), 69 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 44 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 3 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	CESSNA	Registration:	N8674U
Model/Series:	172F 172F	Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Operator:	VERNON, JESSE H.	Engine Manufacturer:	CONTINENTAL
Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None	Engine Model/Series:	O-300-C
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Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual Conditions	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	, 0 ft msl	Weather Information Source:	Pilot
Lowest Ceiling:	None / 0 ft agl	Wind Speed/Gusts, Direction:	/ , 315°
Temperature:		Visibility	20 Miles
Precipitation and Obscuration:			
Departure Point:	SANFORD, NC (W77)	Destination:	

Wreckage and Impact Information

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

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	SCOTT STRICKLAND	Adopted Date:	02/14/1989
Investigation Docket:	NTSB accident and incident dockets 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 pubinq@ntsb.gov , or at 800-877-6799. Dockets released after this date are available at http://dms.nts.gov/pubdms/ .		

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