



# National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Data Summary

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<b>Location:</b>	WINTERS, CA	<b>Accident Number:</b>	LAX82DA126
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	04/01/1982, 1515 PST	<b>Registration:</b>	N35919
<b>Aircraft:</b>	CESSNA 206-F	<b>Injuries:</b>	1 None
<b>Flight Conducted Under:</b>	Part 91: General Aviation - Personal		

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## Analysis

AFTER TAKEOFF AS THE AIRCRAFT CLIMBED THROUGH 550 FEET AGL THE ENGINE LOST POWER. THE PILOT ATTEMPTED TO TURN THE AIRCRAFT AROUND AND LAND ON A TAXIWAY BUT LANDED IN A SOFT AREA NEAR IT. THE NOSE GEAR COLLAPSED AND THE AIRCRAFT SLID ACROSS THE TAXIWAY AND CAME TO A STOP. INVESTIGATION REVEALED THE FUEL CAP ON THE RIGHT WING WAS NOT PROPERLY SECURED AND A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF FUEL IN THE RIGHT FUEL TANK. IN ADDITION THE AIRCRAFT HAD SAT OUT IN SEVERAL SEVERE RAINSTORMS FOR OVER A PERIOD OF A MONTH.

## Probable Cause

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

## Findings

Occurrence #1: LOSS OF ENGINE POWER(TOTAL) - NONMECHANICAL  
Phase of Operation: CLIMB - TO CRUISE

### Findings

1. (C) FUEL SYSTEM,CAP - LOOSE
  2. (C) FLUID,FUEL - WATER
  3. (C) PREFLIGHT PLANNING/PREPARATION - INADEQUATE - PILOT IN COMMAND
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Occurrence #2: FORCED LANDING  
Phase of Operation: DESCENT - EMERGENCY

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Occurrence #3: GEAR COLLAPSED  
Phase of Operation: LANDING - FLARE/TOUCHDOWN

### Findings

4. (F) TERRAIN CONDITION - SOFT
5. (F) LANDING GEAR,NOSE GEAR - OVERLOAD

## Pilot Information

<b>Certificate:</b>	Flight Instructor; Commercial	<b>Age:</b>	48
<b>Airplane Rating(s):</b>	Multi-engine Land; Single-engine Land; Single-engine Sea	<b>Instrument Rating(s):</b>	None
<b>Other Aircraft Rating(s):</b>		<b>Instructor Rating(s):</b>	Airplane Single-engine
<b>Flight Time:</b>	17096 hours (Total, all aircraft), 516 hours (Total, this make and model), 9999 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 45 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft)		

## Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

<b>Aircraft Make:</b>	CESSNA	<b>Registration:</b>	N35919
<b>Model/Series:</b>	206-F 206-F	<b>Engines:</b>	1 Reciprocating
<b>Operator:</b>	HOWARD ZANDERS	<b>Engine Manufacturer:</b>	CONTINENTAL
<b>Operating Certificate(s) Held:</b>		<b>Engine Model/Series:</b>	IO-520-F
<b>Flight Conducted Under:</b>	Part 91: General Aviation - Personal		

## Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

<b>Conditions at Accident Site:</b>	Visual Conditions	<b>Condition of Light:</b>	Day
<b>Observation Facility, Elevation:</b>	, 0 ft msl	<b>Weather Information Source:</b>	Unknown
<b>Lowest Ceiling:</b>	Broken / 1500 ft agl	<b>Wind Speed/Gusts, Direction:</b>	10 knots / , 180°
<b>Temperature:</b>	60° C	<b>Visibility</b>	10 Miles
<b>Precipitation and Obscuration:</b>			
<b>Departure Point:</b>	WINTERS, CA (2Q3)	<b>Destination:</b>	SACRAMENTO, CA

## Airport Information

<b>Airport:</b>	YOLO COUNTY (2Q3)	<b>Runway Surface Type:</b>	Asphalt
<b>Runway Used:</b>	16	<b>Runway Surface Condition:</b>	
<b>Runway Length/Width:</b>	6000 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

Investigator In Charge (IIC):

Adopted Date: 04/01/1983

Investigation Docket:

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