



# National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Data Summary

<b>Location:</b>	Rosedale, MI	<b>Accident Number:</b>	CEN09LA557
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	09/02/2009, 1310 EDT	<b>Registration:</b>	N6446F
<b>Aircraft:</b>	CESSNA 150F	<b>Injuries:</b>	1 None
<b>Flight Conducted Under:</b>	Part 91: General Aviation - Personal		

## Analysis

The 84-year-old pilot reported that the airplane did not seem to have enough power to become airborne during the takeoff. The airplane veered off the right side of the runway, where it came to rest after contacting trees and scrub brush. The airplane sustained substantial damage to the fuselage and wings. Neither the pilot nor the airplane had flown during the past 3 years. The pilot did not hold a current medical certificate. The pilot's wife reported that he suffered a fall 3 years ago and that his physical and mental capabilities were such that he should not have been trying to fly the airplane.

## Flight Events

Takeoff - Loss of control on ground  
Takeoff - Collision with terr/obj (non-CFIT)  
Takeoff - Runway excursion

## 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 during the takeoff ground run. Contributing to the accident were the pilot's deteriorated physical and mental capabilities.

## Findings

Aircraft-Aircraft oper/perf/capability-Performance/control parameters-Directional control-Not attained/maintained - C

Personnel issues-Task performance-Use of equip/info-Aircraft control-Pilot - C

Personnel issues-Physical-Health/Fitness-Predisposing condition-Pilot - F

## Pilot Information

<b>Certificate:</b>	Private	<b>Age:</b>	84
<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>	2000 hours (Total, all aircraft)		

## Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

<b>Aircraft Manufacturer:</b>	CESSNA	<b>Registration:</b>	N6446F
<b>Model/Series:</b>	150F	<b>Engines:</b>	1 Reciprocating
<b>Operator:</b>	Robert C. Rawlings	<b>Engine Manufacturer:</b>	CONT MOTOR
<b>Air Carrier Operating Certificate:</b>	None	<b>Engine Model/Series:</b>	0-200
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## Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

<b>Observation Facility, Elevation:</b>	ANJ, 716 ft msl	<b>Weather Information Source:</b>	Unknown
<b>Conditions at Accident Site:</b>	Visual Conditions	<b>Lowest Ceiling:</b>	None
<b>Condition of Light:</b>	Day	<b>Wind Speed/Gusts, Direction:</b>	5 knots, 300°
<b>Temperature:</b>	22° C / 14° C	<b>Visibility</b>	10 Miles
<b>Precipitation and Obscuration:</b>	No Obscuration; No Precipitation		
<b>Departure Point:</b>	Sault Ste. Marie, MI (PVT)	<b>Destination:</b>	Sault Ste. Marie, MI (PVT)

## Airport Information

<b>Airport:</b>	Rosedale Airport (PVT)	<b>Runway Surface Type:</b>	Grass/turf
<b>Runway Used:</b>		<b>Runway Surface Condition:</b>	Dry
<b>Runway Length/Width:</b>			

## 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

## Administrative Information

<b>Investigator In Charge (IIC):</b>	Pamela S Sullivan	<b>Adopted Date:</b>	03/03/2010
<b>Investigation Docket:</b>	<a href="http://dms.nts.gov/pubdms/search/dockList.cfm?mKey=74648">http://dms.nts.gov/pubdms/search/dockList.cfm?mKey=74648</a>		

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