

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
198803457**

Cessna 172-H

29 April 1988

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Occurrence Number: 198803457 **Occurrence Type:** Accident

Location: Eurong, Fraser Island QLD

Date: 29 April 1988

Time: 1710

Highest Injury Level: Nil

Injuries:

	Fatal	Serious	Minor	None
Crew	0	0	1	1
Ground	0	0	0	-
Passenger	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	1

Aircraft Details: Cessna 172-H

Registration: VH-WKB

Serial Number: 17256002

Operation Type: Private (Business)

Damage Level: Substantial

Departure Point: Hervey Bay QLD

Departure Time: N/K

Destination: Eurong QLD

Approved for Release: 20 June 1988

Circumstances:

The pilot reported that he was taxiing on the beach when the nose wheel encountered a soft patch of sand. The propeller and a wing were bent. The tide at the time was about half way between low and high. The pilot had frequently operated from this particular stretch of beach. On this occasion he had not noticed that an area of soft sand existed in his taxi path. This accident was not the subject of an on-site investigation.