Aviation Safety Investigation Report 198503497

Cessna 182-N

22 January 1985

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Occurrence Number: 198503497 Occurrence Type: Accident

Location: "Bullamon Plains" Property, 47 km N of Mungindi QLD **Date:** 22 January 1985 **Time:** 0600 Approx.

Highest Injury Level: Minor

Injuries:

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

Aircraft Details: Cessna 182-N **Registration:** VH-EKH

Serial Number:

Operation Type: Stock Spotting and Survey

Damage Level: Destroyed

Departure Point: Bullamon Plains QLD

Departure Time: 515

Destination: Bullamon Plains QLD

Approved for Release: 25th March 1985

Circumstances:

The aircraft was being flown between 500 and 1000 feet agl at 60 knots with 20 degree of flap. A mob of sheep was spotted and the pilot turned right to keep them in sight. The stall warning sounded and the pilot noticed a lack of elevator control but did not associate this with a stall. Descent continued while the pilot was engrossed in the elevator problem until the aircraft struck trees in its path. A major portion of the right wing was severed and the aircraft came to rest on its side.