

Aviation Safety Investigation Report
198403558

Cessna U206G

12 March 1984

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Occurrence Number:	198403558		Occurrence Type: Accident	
Location:	Wilpena SA			
Date:	12 March 1984		Time: 843	
Highest Injury Level:	Nil			
Injuries:				
	Fatal	Serious	Minor	None
Crew	0	0	1	1
Ground	0	0	0	-
Passenger	0	0	0	5
Total	0	0	0	6

Aircraft Details: Cessna U206G
Registration: VH-FRT
Serial Number:
Operation Type: Passenger Charter
Damage Level: Substantial
Departure Point: Wilpena SA
Departure Time: 0843
Destination: Wilpena SA

Approved for Release: 30th July, 1984

Circumstances:

During the landing flare the aircraft ballooned and assumed a nose-high attitude. The pilot attempted to take corrective action but the tail contacted the ground before the mainwheels. The aircraft bounced and on the subsequent touchdown the tail again struck the ground. The pilot was inexperienced on the aircraft type and had used an approach speed below that recommended in the Aircraft Flight Manual. The aircraft was flared too high and incorrect recovery action was taken by the pilot after the aircraft ballooned.