

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
198402346**

Cessna 150M

4 October 1984

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Occurrence Number: 198402346

Location: Berwick VIC

Date: 4 October 1984

Highest Injury Level: Nil

Injuries:

Occurrence Type: Accident

Time: 1250

	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 150M

Registration: VH-TDX

Serial Number:

Operation Type: Solo Training

Damage Level: Substantial

Departure Point: Berwick VIC

Departure Time: 1250

Destination: Berwick VIC

Approved for Release: 20th March, 1985

Circumstances:

Earlier in the day the pilot had undergone a dual check and was authorised to conduct the same operation solo. After some time in the training area he returned for a landing in light crosswind conditions. The aircraft landed heavily nosewheel first and bounced several times before the nose gear collapsed rearwards. The aircraft slid to a halt on its nose, 101 metres from the initial touchdown point. Recent rain had resulted in the available strip width being reduced to only 8 metres. The pilot advised that as he commenced to flare for landing the aircraft drifted off the centre of the strip. While concentrating to avoid landing on the soft sides of the strip he had not continued the flare and touchdown was made on the nosewheel. Although the pilot was aware of the actions required in the event of a bounced landing a go-around had not been attempted.