

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
198702424**

Cessna 210M

20 September 1987

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Occurrence Number: 198702424 **Occurrence Type:** Accident

Location: Wirribilla (15km SW of Walcha) NSW

Date: 20 September 1987 **Time:** 1010

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 210M

Registration: VH-TIU

Serial Number: 21062324

Operation Type: Private (Pleasure)

Damage Level: Substantial

Departure Point: Walcha NSW

Departure Time: 955

Destination: Wirribilla NSW

Approved for Release: November 3rd 1987

Circumstances:

The pilot stated that he carried out a normal circuit at his destination. During the landing roll he selected the flaps up, and then inadvertently selected the landing gear up before realising his mistake and selecting the gear down again. The gear up selection occurred just as the aircraft was travelling over a hump in the strip and it is believed that this, combined with the pilot holding up elevator, caused the weight of the aircraft to come off the wheels. This resulted in the landing gear safety switch becoming ineffective and the gear commencing the retraction sequence. When the aircraft came to rest the nosegear was fully retracted, the left maingear was partially retracted and the right maingear was still down and locked. Subsequent inspection and testing of the landing gear system did not reveal any faults that could have contributed to the occurrence. The pilot stated that he believed he had mistakenly applied the after-takeoff checks instead of the after-landing checks and had selected the gear up instead of opening the cowl flaps. This accident was not the subject of an on-site investigation.