

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
199003048**

Cessna A188B-A1

30 January 1990

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This accident was not formally investigated by the Bureau.

Occurrence Number: 199003048 **Occurrence Type:** Accident
Location: 6 km West of Thangool QLD
Date: 30 January 1990 **Time:** 1820
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 A188B-A1
Registration: VH-IEZ
Serial Number: N/K
Operation Type: Aerial Work
Damage Level: Destroyed
Departure Point: Biloela QLD
Departure Time: N/K
Destination: Biloela QLD

Approved for Release: 13th December 1990

Circumstances:

The pilot reported that he was spraying a crop with the runs oriented in a racetrack pattern across the wind, which was south-easterly at 15 knots. This resulted in a turn into wind at one end and a turn downwind at the other end. He experienced difficulty in preventing the aircraft drifting away from the paddock during the downwind turns and was widening the turns in an attempt to correct the problem. During the third downwind turn the aircraft stalled but the pilot was unable to level the wings due to trees in the path of the aircraft. The right wing struck a fence and cartwheeled into a paddock.