

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
199701203**

**Cessna Aircraft Company
Centurion**

28 March 1997

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The Bureau did not conduct an on scene investigation of this occurrence. The information presented below was obtained from information supplied to the Bureau.

Occurrence Number: 199701203 **Occurrence Type:** Accident
Location: Tamworth, Aerodrome
State: NSW **Inv Category:** 4
Date: Friday 28 March 1997
Time: 1536 hours **Time Zone:** ESuT
Highest Injury Level: None

Aircraft Manufacturer: Cessna Aircraft Company
Aircraft Model: 210F
Aircraft Registration: VH-KVR **Serial Number:** T210-0013
Type of Operation: Non-commercial Pleasure/Travel
Damage to Aircraft: Substantial
Departure Point: Canberra ACT
Departure Time:
Destination: Tamworth NSW

Crew Details:

Role	Class of Licence	Hours on Type	Hours Total
Pilot-In-Command	Private	6.0	215

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After an apparently normal touchdown, the aircraft was observed to become airborne again and began to porpoise. On the third bounce, the nose landing gear collapsed and the propeller struck the runway before the aircraft came to rest.

The pilot subsequently reported that the approach and touchdown were normal but he was unable to recover from the bounce with elevator control and did not apply any engine power to recover the situation. His experience on the aircraft type was limited as he had only gained his endorsement the previous day.