

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
199701755**

**Ayres Corp
S2R-T34**

30 May 1997

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Occurrence Number: 199701755 **Occurrence Type:** Accident
Location: Dalby, (ALA)
State: QLD **Inv Category:** 4
Date: Friday 30 May 1997
Time: 1515 hours **Time Zone** EST
Highest Injury Level: None

Aircraft Manufacturer: Ayres Corp
Aircraft Model: S2R-T34
Aircraft Registration: VH-JVE **Serial Number:** T34-129DC
Type of Operation: Miscellaneous Ferry
Damage to Aircraft: Substantial
Departure Point: Glen Morgan QLD
Departure Time: 1430 EST
Destination: Dalby QLD

Crew Details:

| Role | Class of Licence | Hours on Type | Hours Total |
|------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Pilot-In-Command | Commercial | 1920.0 | 5210 |

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The aircraft was landing towards the south-east on a sealed runway, with a 10 knot southerly wind blowing. Toward the end of the landing roll the pilot experienced difficulty in keeping the aircraft centred on the runway, with the result that it veered off the runway and nosed down in the soft ground off the sealed area. The propeller and engine area were damaged. The pilot reported that the left main tyre had deflated, probably because of the tyre not rotating during the landing. He considered that he had held his heels too high on the rudder controls, inadvertently applying brake to the left wheel during the landing flare and initial roll.