

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
199401735**

**Cessna Aircraft Company
Centurion**

01 July 1994

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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: 199401735 **Occurrence Type:** Accident
Location: Mount Isa
State: QLD **Inv Category:** 4
Date: Friday 01 July 1994
Time: 1742 hours **Time Zone:** EST
Highest Injury Level: None

Aircraft Manufacturer: Cessna Aircraft Company
Aircraft Model: 210K
Aircraft Registration: VH-RZM **Serial Number:** 21059268
Type of Operation: Non-commercial Pleasure/Travel
Damage to Aircraft: Substantial
Departure Point: Mount Isa QLD
Departure Time: 1726 EST
Destination: Mount Isa QLD

Crew Details:

Role	Class of Licence	Hours on Type	Hours Total
Pilot-In-Command	Private	15.0	315

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The pilot was taking some friends for a short flight before the end of daylight. Just prior to touchdown he became aware that the landing gear was not extended, and as he believed it was too late to attempt a go-around, he landed the aircraft with the landing gear retracted. The aircraft slid to a halt on the runway and all the occupants evacuated uninjured.

The pilot reported that he believed he had not been distracted prior to landing and that he completed the prelanding checks but had not noticed that the landing gear was not extended.

When the aircraft came to rest it blocked both runways. Due to the imminent arrival of two scheduled services the pilot advised off duty airport groundstaff, who organised the removal of the aircraft from the runway.