

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report  
199401989**

**Cessna Aircraft Company  
Skyhawk**

**23 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:** 199401989                      **Occurrence Type:** Accident  
**Location:** Mount Windsor Station  
**State:** QLD                      **Inv Category:** 4  
**Date:** Saturday 23 July 1994  
**Time:** 1100 hours                      **Time Zone** EST  
**Highest Injury Level:** None

**Aircraft Manufacturer:** Cessna Aircraft Company  
**Aircraft Model:** 172P  
**Aircraft Registration:** VH-BFQ                      **Serial Number:** 17274943  
**Type of Operation:** Commercial    Aerial Mustering  
**Damage to Aircraft:** Substantial  
**Departure Point:** Mount Windsor QLD  
**Departure Time:**  
**Destination:** Mount Windsor QLD

**Approved for Release:** Wednesday, February 15, 1995

The pilot reported that during the take-off run he became apprehensive about the runway distance remaining. The take-off was abandoned but the aircraft collided with a fence.

The pilot said that the runway surface was covered with small pebbles which appeared to reduce the braking efficiency. He steered the aircraft to the right to avoid a fence. The aircraft was almost stationary when it struck the fence.