

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
199402373**

**Beech Aircraft Corp
Baron**

26 August 1994

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Occurrence Number: 199402373 **Occurrence Type:** Accident
Location: Bowen
State: QLD **Inv Category:** 4
Date: Friday 26 August 1994
Time: 0915 hours **Time Zone** EST
Highest Injury Level: None

Aircraft Manufacturer: Beech Aircraft Corp
Aircraft Model: 58
Aircraft Registration: VH-EZN **Serial Number:** TH-1222
Type of Operation: Charter Passenger
Damage to Aircraft: Substantial
Departure Point: Townsville
Departure Time: 0815 EST
Destination: Bowen

Crew Details:

Role	Class of Licence	Hours on Type	Hours Total
Pilot-In-Command	Commercial	223.0	1875

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On entering the circuit, the pilot attempted to cancel his sarwatch but could not contact flight service on the aircraft's VHF radio. He attempted to relay the request through another aircraft but this was also unsuccessful. The pilot then transferred to HF radio and was able to cancel sarwatch. During this period, the pilot was also communicating with other circuit traffic. These distractions led to him forgetting to extend the landing gear and the aircraft landed wheels-up.