



Aviation Investigation Final Report

Location:	Ann Arbor, Michigan	Accident Number:	CEN09CA554
Date & Time:	August 29, 2009, 16:20 Local	Registration:	N715V
Aircraft:	Socata TBM 700	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Defining Event:	Hard landing	Injuries:	1 None
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 91: General aviation - Personal		

Analysis

The pilot stated that, during landing with the airplane near the runway threshold and at about 85 knots, "the bottom dropped out." The airplane's right main landing gear then impacted the runway. The airplane's right wing was substantially damaged during the hard landing. The pilot stated that during the approach the control tower gave him three different wind advisories, varying from 260 to 300 degrees. At the time of the accident, the winds were reported from the northeast at 18 knots, gusting to 25 knots. There were no reported anomalies with the airplane's flight controls.

Probable Cause and Findings

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be: The pilot's hard landing during gusty wind conditions.

Findings

Environmental issues	Gusts - Effect on equipment
Aircraft	Landing flare - Not specified
Personnel issues	Aircraft control - Pilot

Factual Information

History of Flight

Landing	Abnormal runway contact
Landing	Hard landing (Defining event)

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Private	Age:	48, Male
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine land	Seat Occupied:	Left
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Restraint Used:	
Instrument Rating(s):	Airplane	Second Pilot Present:	No
Instructor Rating(s):	None	Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 3 With waivers/limitations	Last FAA Medical Exam:	May 23, 2008
Occupational Pilot:	No	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	November 30, 2008
Flight Time:	1233 hours (Total, all aircraft), 458 hours (Total, this make and model), 1113 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 73 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 19 hours (Last 30 days, all aircraft)		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	Socata	Registration:	N715V
Model/Series:	TBM 700	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:	Normal	Serial Number:	108
Landing Gear Type:	Retractable - Tricycle	Seats:	6
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	August 3, 2009 Annual	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	
Time Since Last Inspection:		Engines:	1 Turbo prop
Airframe Total Time:	4013 Hrs as of last inspection	Engine Manufacturer:	P&W
ELT:	Installed, not activated	Engine Model/Series:	PT6A SER
Registered Owner:	DML AVIATION LLC	Rated Power:	750 Horsepower
Operator:	DML AVIATION LLC	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual (VMC)	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	KARB	Distance from Accident Site:	
Observation Time:	16:53 Local	Direction from Accident Site:	
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Few / 4300 ft AGL	Visibility	10 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	Broken / 5000 ft AGL	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	18 knots / 24 knots	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	290°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:	29.77 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	19°C / 11°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:	No Obscuration; No Precipitation		
Departure Point:	Ypsilanti, MI (KYIP)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	Unknown
Destination:	Ann Arbor, MI (KARB)	Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:		Type of Airspace:	

Airport Information

Airport:	Ann Arbor KARB	Runway Surface Type:	Concrete
Airport Elevation:		Runway Surface Condition:	Dry
Runway Used:	24	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:	3500 ft / 75 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	Straight-in

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:		Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	1 None	Latitude, Longitude:	42.2,-83.733329(est)

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Hatch, Craig
Additional Participating Persons:	Glenn Gosnell; FAA FSDO; Detroit , MI
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Investigation Class:	Class
Note:	This accident report documents the factual circumstances of this accident as described to the NTSB.
Investigation Docket:	https://data.nts.gov/Docket?ProjectID=74636

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