



National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Factual Report

Location:	Boquete, Panama	Accident Number:	DFW08WA050
Date & Time:	12/23/2007, 1200 CST	Registration:	
Aircraft:	Cessna 172	Aircraft Damage:	Destroyed
Defining Event:		Injuries:	3 Fatal, 1 Serious
Flight Conducted Under:	Non-U.S., Non-Commercial		

On December 23, 2007, a Panama registered Cessna 172, HP762, was destroyed upon impact with terrain in the mountainous region of Chiriqui near Boquete, Panama. The pilot and two passengers sustained fatal injuries and one passenger sustained serious injuries. The airplane departed Islas Secas at approximately 1145 central daylight time. It was reported that the last communication occurred around 1203.

The investigation is under the jurisdiction of the government of Panama. Further information pertaining to this accident may be obtained from:

Direccion de Aeronautica Civil

Apartados 7501 y 7615

Panama 5

<http://www.aeronautica.gob.pa>

This report is for information purposes only and contains only information released by the Panamanian Government.

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Age:
Airplane Rating(s):	Seat Occupied:
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	Restraint Used:
Instrument Rating(s):	Second Pilot Present:
Instructor Rating(s):	Toxicology Performed:
Medical Certification:	Last FAA Medical Exam:
Occupational Pilot:	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:
Flight Time:	

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	Cessna	Registration:	
Model/Series:	172	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	No
Airworthiness Certificate:		Serial Number:	
Landing Gear Type:		Seats:	
Date/Type of Last Inspection:		Certified Max Gross Wt.:	
Time Since Last Inspection:		Engines:	
Airframe Total Time:		Engine Manufacturer:	
ELT:		Engine Model/Series:	
Registered Owner:		Rated Power:	
Operator:		Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Condition of Light:
Observation Facility, Elevation:	Distance from Accident Site:
Observation Time:	Direction from Accident Site:
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Visibility
Lowest Ceiling:	Visibility (RVR):
Wind Speed/Gusts: /	Turbulence Type /
	Forecast/Actual:
Wind Direction:	Turbulence Severity /
	Forecast/Actual:
Altimeter Setting:	Temperature/Dew Point:
Precipitation and Obscuration:	
Departure Point: Islas Secas	Type of Flight Plan Filed: Unknown
Destination: Volcan	Type of Clearance:
Departure Time:	Type of Airspace:

Airport Information

Airport:	Runway Surface Type:
Airport Elevation:	Runway Surface Condition:
Runway Used:	IFR Approach:
Runway Length/Width:	VFR Approach/Landing:

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries: 1 Fatal	Aircraft Damage: Destroyed
Passenger Injuries: 2 Fatal, 1 Serious	Aircraft Fire:
Ground Injuries: N/A	Aircraft Explosion:
Total Injuries: 3 Fatal, 1 Serious	Latitude, Longitude:

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC): Jason T Aguilera	
Additional Participating Persons:	
Investigation Docket:	NTSB accident and incident dockets serve as permanent archival information for the NTSB's investigations. Dockets released prior to June 1, 2009 are publicly available from the NTSB's Record Management Division at pubinq@ntsb.gov , or at 800-877-6799. Dockets released after this date are available at http://dms.nts.gov/pubdms/ .