

## International Accidents/Incidents 21 April-10 June 2008

Date	Aircraft	Location	Fatalities	Damage	Description
21 April	Embraer 110	Coari Airport, Brazil	0	Written off	The crew declared an emergency en route to Carauari due to engine failure. The Embraer landed at Coari Airport and slid off the runway.
28 April	Cessna 208	Doro, Sudan	0	Substantial	Lifting off from a wet, muddy airstrip at a medical mission in Sudan, the Cessna was unable to clear obstacles at the end of the runway. Left wing of the plane struck a tree trunk & the plane flipped onto its back.
2 May	Beech 1900	Rumbek Airport, Sudan	21	Written off	Beech carrying a delegation of leaders from the Sudan People's Liberation Movement crashed near Rumbek, after both engines failed. Dominic Dim, southern Sudan's Minister of Defence, & 20 others, killed.
8 May	ATR-42	Greensboro Airport, North Carolina	0	Substantial	F2 tornado with 113-157 mph winds damaged several aircraft at the Greensboro Airport. ATR-42 was blown into a ditch, suffering damage to the wing & fuselage.
9 May	Cessna 208	Ada, Michigan, USA	0	Substantial	Lost power & headed for an open field for a forced landing. Left wing was sheared off by trees, before touching down while going about 90 mph.
10 May	Antonov 2	Lucica, SE Romania	1	Written off	One occupant dead, another injured when Antonov crashed in SE Romania.
16 May	DHC-3 Otter	Lac du Bonnet seaplane base, Manitoba	0	Substantial	Float-equipped DHC-3 Otter had just landed on the water, when a gust of wind lifted the right wing. The left wing contacted the water and the aircraft overturned.
23 May	Beech 1900	Billings Airport, Massachusetts	1	Written off	A cargo Beech 1900C carrying first-class and priority mail crashed into a warehouse shortly after takeoff and burst into flames.
25 May	Boeing 747	Brussels Airport, Belgium	0	Written off	The Boeing 747, a cargo flight carrying 76 tonnes from Brussels to Bahrain, was cleared for takeoff from runway 20. The crew reportedly heard one or two loud bangs during the takeoff run. The aircraft continued past the end of the runway and broke in three.
26 May	Antonov 12	Chelyabinsk, southern Russia (near Kazakhstan border)	9	Written off	The An-12 delivered cargo at Chelyabinsk, and was said to have departed at 18:02. At 18:09, crew reported smoke in the cockpit. The aircraft returned to Chelyabinsk for an emergency landing, but the An-12 crashed in a field & burned.
26 May	Antonov 32	Goma Airport, Democratic Republic of Congo	0	Written off	The An-32 reportedly suffered engine problems after takeoff, returned to Goma & crash-landed at the airport.
30 May	Airbus A320	Tegucigalpa Airport, Honduras	3 + 2 (1 crew, 2 passengers, 2 ground casualties)	Written off	A320 on a regular flight left San Salvador, 09:05, for Miami, USA with an intermediate stop at Tegucigalpa, Honduras. Overran Tegucigalpa's runway 02 around 09:40, went onto a street & came to rest against an embankment.
1 June	Cessna 208	Greensburg- Decatur County Airport, Indiana	0	Substantial	Cessna 208B carrying 14 skydivers lost power at 7500ft. Skydivers got out at 5000ft, and the sole pilot glided the plane back to Greensburg. The pilot began to lose forward visibility as the engine spewed thick smoke and oil over the windshield. The airplane overran the runway into a corn field and flipped over.
7 June	Antonov 2	Novoternovskiy - Russia	2	Destroyed	Illegal flight - Crashed in a field and burned near Novoternovskiy. The Antonov 2 was cancelled from the Russian register in 2000, and certificate of airworthiness expired in October 2000.
7 June	Cessna 208B Grand Caravan	La Junta - Chile	1	Written off	Grand Caravan didn't arrive at La Junta. Next day, ELT signals received from the plane, but fresh snow hampered search crew. Plane finally located 10 June. It had crashed in a forested mountain slope, but all passengers survived.
10 June	Airbus A310-324	Khartoum Civil Airport, Sudan	28	Written off	Weather poor with CB clouds & a thunderstorm as the Airbus approached Khartoum's runway 18/36. It crashed on landing and burst into flames. Number of fatalities still uncertain. Reported that 28 bodies found and at least 121 occupants had survived - remaining 65 were unaccounted for.

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## Australian Accidents/Incidents 1 April-31 May 2008

Date	Aircraft	Location	Injuries	Damage	Description
1 April	Cessna 172RG Cutlass	Orange Aerodrome, NSW	Minor	Destroyed	Due to low battery power, the pilot was starting the aircraft by hand swinging the propeller. Pilot unable to prevent aircraft crashing into a hangar at high speed.
3 April	Piper PA-32-300 Cherokee Six	Brampton Island (ALA), QLD	Minor	Destroyed	Reported that aircraft ditched after takeoff from Brampton Island aerodrome. Pilot received minor injuries; no reported injuries to the four passengers. The investigation is continuing.
5 April	Piper PA-32R-301 Saratoga	Goondiwindi Aerodrome, 226° M 20Km, NSW	Minor	Substantial	During the local flight, aircraft's engine began to run roughly, oil pressure dropped and the engine subsequently failed. Pilot force-landed with the wheels up in a ploughed paddock. One passenger sustained minor injuries.
5 April	Commonwealth Aircraft Corp CA-18 MK 21 Mustang	Point Cook Aerodrome, VIC	Nil	Substantial	After takeoff, as the aircraft accelerated through 240 kts, an airframe buffet occurred accompanied by an unsafe landing gear indication. Pilot unable to activate landing gear due to a malfunction of the right main landing gear door hinge. Aircraft returned for a wheels-up landing on grass runway 26, sustaining substantial damage to the four propeller blades, coolant air intake and right flap.
8 April	Cessna 208 Caravan	Near Bynoe Harbour, NT	Nil	Destroyed	During water landing approach, wheels of the amphibious Cessna Caravan remained extended and the aircraft flipped on landing. The sole pilot was uninjured.
8 April	Cessna 402C	Laura (ALA), QLD	Nil	Substantial	During initial climb, pilot detected smoke entering the cabin. Landing gear would not extend and the pilot made a successful wheels-up landing at Laura.
8 April	Robinson R22 Beta	Georgetown (QLD)	Minor	Destroyed	During takeoff, pilot misjudged the distance of the helicopter from the water. Skids hit the water & helicopter nosed over.
9 April	McDonnell Douglas 369E	Townsville Aerodrome, SE M 16Km, QLD	Nil	Substantial	Helicopter reported to have crashed. Investigation continuing.
9 April	Fairchild Industries SA227-AC Metroliner	Sydney Aerodrome, 151° M 19Km, NSW	Fatal	Destroyed	On departure the aircraft was observed to turn contrary to a control instruction. When queried, crew reported having a minor technical fault. Shortly after the query, the aircraft vanished from radar at position 34 06 13S 151 14 19E. Investigation is continuing.
14 April	Cessna 210N Centurion	Weil 33 (ALA), WA	Nil	Substantial	During the approach, the engine failed. Aircraft hit the ground approximately 180 metres short of the runway threshold.
30 April	Mooney M20J	Wangaratta Aerodrome, 90° M 26Km, VIC	Nil	Substantial	During the cruise, pilot declared 'mayday' due to an engine problem & immediately commenced a return to Wangaratta. Unable to hold altitude, the pilot conducted a forced landing in a nearby paddock. The aircraft sustained substantial damage.
4 May	Robinson R44	Warburton (ALA), 315° M 99Km, WA	Nil	Destroyed	After landing in scrub, the helicopter's exhaust stack set spinifex grass on fire. The pilot vacated the helicopter and attempted to extinguish the fire, but the helicopter was subsequently destroyed.
12 May	Cessna 152	Hoxton Park Aerodrome, NSW	Nil	Substantial	During the initial climb, the engine failed. The instructor pilot assumed control of the aircraft & conducted a forced landing onto the overshoot area, then hitting the aerodrome boundary fence. It was later discovered that the dipsticks were marked incorrectly and the aircraft had run out of fuel.
12 May	Robinson R44 II Raven	Fitzroy Crossing Aerodrome, 350° M 93Km, WA	Serious	Destroyed	While on a local repositioning flight with four people on board, the helicopter crashed approximately 300 m north of the Gibb River Road.
14 May	Piper PA-25-235 Pawnee	Warrnambool Aerodrome, NW M 22Km, VIC	Nil	Substantial	During take-off run, pilot encountered a tail wind. He dumped the load and applied 30 degrees of flap. The aircraft's landing gear struck rocks at the end of the runway & was torn off. The aircraft skidded to a stop on its fuselage.
15 May	Cessna 210L Centurion	Abingdon Downs (ALA), 245° M 20Km, QLD	Fatal	Destroyed	Reported that the aircraft failed to return by the planned SARTIME. The aircraft collided with terrain. Investigation is continuing.
16 May	Cessna 441 Conquest	Meekatharra Aerodrome, 241° M 98Km, WA	Nil	Substantial	During approach, pilot misidentified the runway strip and landed, after a precautionary search, on a roadway. After landing, a passenger showed the pilot the actual runway strip 500 metres to the west. During the subsequent takeoff, aircraft's right wing struck an unknown object. The aircraft subsequently landed on the correct runway strip.
21 May	American Champion 8GCBC Scout	Wagin (ALA), WA	Nil	Substantial	While landing, aircraft veered to the right, pilot overcorrected and the aircraft ran off the right side of the runway, hit a security fence and flipped over.
21 May	Piper PA-28-161 Warrior	Coonabarabran Aerodrome, NSW	Nil	Substantial	During take-off run, aircraft struck an animal. The pilot continued with the takeoff, and then decided to continue with the flight. Overhead Coonamble the instructor noticed that there was fuel loss from the left tank, but they were operating from the right tank. They made a precautionary landing at Coonamble. The left wing was substantially damaged and the fuel drain was bent and locked open.
25 May	Cessna 441 Conquest	Wagga Wagga Aerodrome, NSW	Nil	Substantial	During the taxi, the aircraft struck a shed on the apron.
31 May	Nanchang Aircraft CJ-6A	Moruya Aerodrome, NSW	Fatal	Destroyed	Reported that the aircraft crashed 25 metres outside the airport boundary fence. Aircraft destroyed and the pilot suffered fatal injuries.

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