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Aircraft type and registration:	Beech 95-B55 G-BFFG		
No & Type of engines:	2 Continental Motors Corp 10-470-L piston engines		
Year of Manufacture:	1976		
Date and time (UTC):	4 August 1986 at 0851 hrs		
Location:	Southampton Airport		
Type of flight:	Private (business)		
Persons on board:	Crew — 1	Passengers — None	
Injuries:	Crew — None	Passengers — N/A	
Nature of damage:	Propellers, nose-leg, and possible engine shock load damage		
Commander's Licence:	Private Pilot's Licence		
Commander's Age:	52 years		
Commander's Total Flying Experience:	480 hours (of which 134 were on type)		
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot		

The pilot reported that the approach was normal. On touchdown he gained the impression that the nosewheel was retracted, and as the speed reduced the nose descended onto the runway.

Examination of the aircraft showed that the nose leg was locked down but the wheel attachment forging had fractured.

Examination of the fracture indicated that the failure had occurred in simple overload.