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Aircraft Type and Registration:	Beech 58, G-PSVS
No & Type of Engines:	2 Continental IO-520-CB piston engines
Year of Manufacture:	1980
Date and Time (UTC):	19 June 1990 at 0810 hrs
Location:	Southampton Airport, Hampshire
Type of flight:	Private
Persons on Board:	Crew - 1 Passengers - 1
Injuries:	Crew - None Passengers - None
Nature of Damage:	Underside of fuselage, propellers, landing gear and flaps damaged
Commander's Licence:	Private Pilot's Licence
Commander's Age:	53 years
Commander's Total Flying Experience:	1,362 hours (of which 306 were on type)
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

On a flight from Guernsey to Southampton, the aircraft was cleared to make a straight-in approach to land on runway 02. The wind was 250°/10 kt. Landing gear and progressive flap was selected at about 1 nm on the final approach and both the pilot and his passenger, who also holds a PPL, confirm the presence of '3 Greens'. Following a gentle touchdown, when the pilot applied the brakes the nose landing gear collapsed, followed by the right and left main gears.

As the pilot left the aircraft he noticed that the gear selector lever was in the UP position. Neither occupant recalls the selector being touched after the DOWN selection, either in the air or during the landing roll and, although the jammed right front door had necessitated climbing over the back of the front seats in order to use the rear door, neither recalls having touched the selector during the evacuation.

There is no evidence which suggests a reason for the final position of the gear selector lever.