

WEIGHT AND BALANCE

The following information will enable you to operate your Cessna within the prescribed weight and center of gravity limitations. To figure weight and balance, use the Sample Problem, Loading Graph, and Center of Gravity Moment Envelope as follows:

Take the basic empty weight and moment from appropriate weight and balance records carried in your airplane, and enter them in the column titled YOUR AIRPLANE on the Sample Loading Problem.

NOTE

In addition to the basic empty weight and moment noted on these records, the C.G. arm (fuselage station) is also shown, but need not be used on the Sample Loading Problem. The moment which is shown must be divided by 1000 and this value used as the moment/1000 on the loading problem.

Use the Loading Graph to determine the moment/1000 for each additional item to be carried; then list these on the loading problem.

NOTE

Loading Graph information for the pilot, passengers and baggage is based on seats positioned for average occupants and baggage loaded in the center of the baggage areas as shown on the Loading Arrangements diagram. For loadings which may differ from these, the Sample Loading Problem lists fuselage stations for these items to indicate their forward and aft C.G. range limitations (seat travel and baggage area limitation). Additional moment calculations, based on the actual weight and C.G. arm (fuselage station) of the item being loaded, must be made if the position of the load is different from that shown on the Loading Graph.

Total the weights and moments/1000 and plot these values on the Center of Gravity Moment Envelope to determine whether the point falls within the envelope, and if the loading is acceptable.

LOADING ARRANGEMENTS

* Pilot or passenger center of gravity on adjustable seats positioned for average occupant. Numbers in parentheses indicate forward and aft limits of occupant center of gravity range.

** Arm measured to the center of the areas shown.

NOTE: The rear cabin wall (approximate station 108) or aft baggage wall (approximate station 142) can be used as convenient interior reference points for determining the location of baggage area fuselage stations.

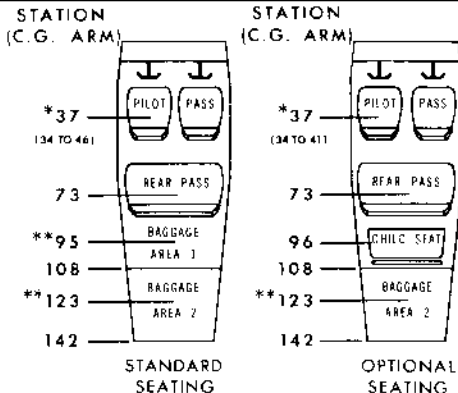


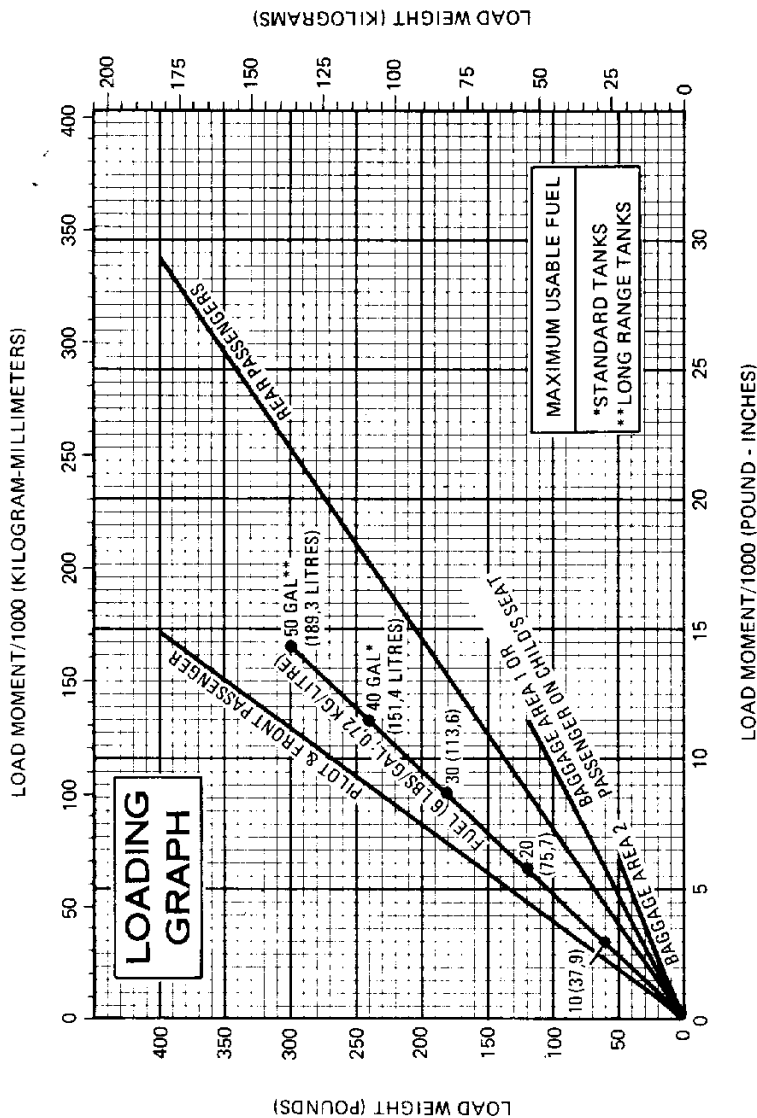
Figure 6-3. Loading Arrangements

SAMPLE AIRPLANE	YOUR AIRPLANE	
	Weight (lbs.)	Moment (lb.-ins./1000)
<p>SAMPLE LOADING PROBLEM</p> <p>1. Basic Empty Weight (Use the data pertaining to your airplane as it is presently equipped. Includes unusable fuel and full oil)</p> <p>2. Usable Fuel (At 6 Lbs./Gal.) Standard Tanks (40 Gal. Maximum) Long Range Tanks (50 Gal. Maximum)</p> <p>3. Pilot and Front Passenger (Station 34 to 46)</p> <p>4. Rear Passengers</p> <p>5. * Baggage Area 1 or Passenger on Child's Seat (Station 82 to 108, 120 Lbs. Max.)</p> <p>6. * Baggage Area 2 (Station 108 to 142, 50 Lbs. Max.)</p> <p>7. RAMP WEIGHT AND MOMENT</p> <p>8. Fuel allowance for engine start, taxi, and runup</p> <p>9. TAKEOFF WEIGHT AND MOMENT (Subtract Step 8 from Step 7)</p> <p>10. Locate this point (2300 at 103.6) on the Center of Gravity Moment Envelope, and since this point falls within the envelope, the loading is acceptable.</p> <p>* The maximum allowable combined weight capacity for baggage areas 1 and 2 is 120 lbs.</p>	1454	57.6
	240	11.5
	340	12.6
	170	12.4
	103	9.8
	2307	103.9
	-7	-3
	2300	103.6

Figure 6-5. Sample Loading Problem

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EQUIPMENT LIST

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MODEL 172N



NOTE: Line representing adjustable seats shows the pilot or passenger center of gravity on adjustable seats positioned for an average occupant. Refer to the Loading Arrangements diagram for forward and aft limits of occupant C.G. range.

Figure 6-6. Loading Graph

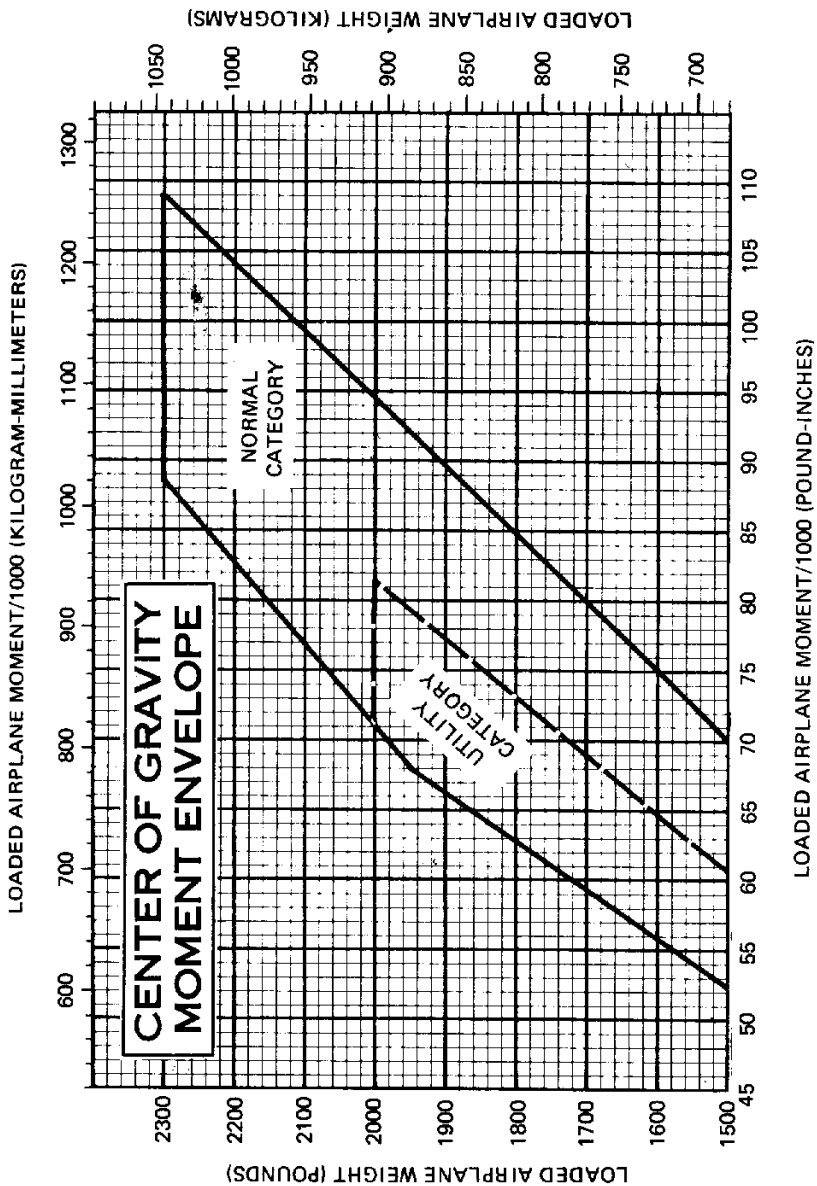
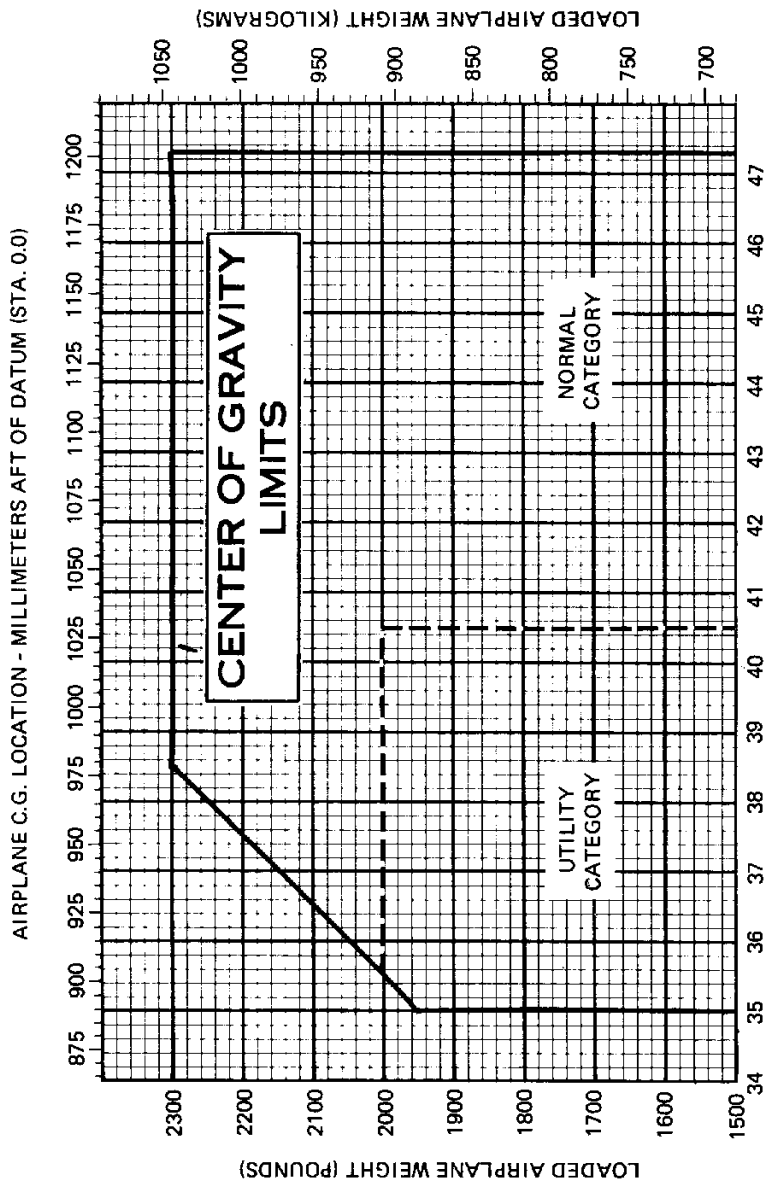


Figure 6-7. Center of Gravity Moment Envelope



AIRPLANE C.G. LOCATION - INCHES AFT OF DATUM (STA. 0.0)

Figure 6-8. Center of Gravity Limits

TAKEOFF DISTANCE

MAXIMUM WEIGHT 2300 LBS

SHORT FIELD

CONDITIONS:

Flaps Up
Full Throttle Prior to Brake Release
Paved, Level, Dry Runway
Zero Wind

NOTES:

1. Short field technique as specified in Section 4.
2. Prior to takeoff from fields above 3000 feet elevation, the mixture should be leaned to give maximum RPM in a full throttle, static runup.
3. Decrease distances 10% for each 9 knots headwind. For operation with tailwinds up to 10 knots, increase distances by 10% for each 2 knots.
4. For operation on a dry, grass runway, increase distances by 15% of the "ground roll" figure.

WEIGHT LBS	TAKEOFF SPEED KIAS		PRESS ALT FT	0°C			10°C			20°C			30°C			40°C					
	LIFT OFF	AT 50 FT		GRND ROLL	TO CLEAR 50 FT OBS	TOTAL ROLL	GRND ROLL	TO CLEAR 50 FT OBS	TOTAL ROLL	GRND ROLL	TO CLEAR 50 FT OBS	TOTAL ROLL	GRND ROLL	TO CLEAR 50 FT OBS	TOTAL ROLL	GRND ROLL	TO CLEAR 50 FT OBS	TOTAL ROLL			
2300	52	59	S.L.	720	1300	775	1390	835	1490	895	1590	960	1700	960	1700	960	1700	960	1700		
			1000	1420	850	1525	915	1630	980	1745	1050	1865	1050	1865	1050	1865	1050	1865	1050	1865	
			2000	865	1555	930	1670	1000	1790	1075	1915	1155	2055	1155	2055	1155	2055	1155	2055	1155	2055
			3000	950	1710	1025	1835	1100	1970	1185	2115	1270	2265	1270	2265	1270	2265	1270	2265	1270	2265
			4000	1045	1880	1125	2025	1210	2175	1300	2335	1400	2510	1400	2510	1400	2510	1400	2510	1400	2510
			5000	1150	2075	1240	2240	1335	2410	1435	2595	1540	2795	1540	2795	1540	2795	1540	2795	1540	2795
			6000	1265	2305	1365	2485	1475	2680	1585	2895	1705	3125	1705	3125	1705	3125	1705	3125	1705	3125
			7000	1400	2565	1510	2770	1630	3000	1755	3245	1890	3515	1890	3515	1890	3515	1890	3515	1890	3515
			8000	1550	2870	1675	3110	1805	3375	1945	3670	2095	3990	2095	3990	2095	3990	2095	3990	2095	3990

Figure 5-4. Takeoff Distance (Sheet 1 of 2)

**TAKEOFF DISTANCE
2100 LBS AND 1900 LBS**

SHORT FIELD

REFER TO SHEET 1 FOR APPROPRIATE CONDITIONS AND NOTES.

WEIGHT LBS	TAKEOFF SPEED KIAS		PRESS ALT FT	0°C			10°C			20°C			30°C			40°C		
	LIFT OFF	AT 50 FT		GRND ROLL	TOTAL TO CLEAR 50 FT OBS	GRND ROLL	TOTAL TO CLEAR 50 FT OBS	GRND ROLL	TOTAL TO CLEAR 50 FT OBS	GRND ROLL	TOTAL TO CLEAR 50 FT OBS	GRND ROLL	TOTAL TO CLEAR 50 FT OBS	GRND ROLL	TOTAL TO CLEAR 50 FT OBS	GRND ROLL	TOTAL TO CLEAR 50 FT OBS	
2100	50	56	S.L.	585	1070	630	1140	680	1220	725	1300	780	1390	850	1520	935	1665	
			1000	640	1165	690	1245	740	1330	795	1420	850	1520	935	1665			
			2000	700	1270	755	1360	810	1455	870	1555	935	1665					
			3000	770	1390	830	1490	890	1595	955	1710	1025	1830					
			4000	845	1525	910	1640	980	1755	1050	1880	1130	2015					
			5000	930	1680	1000	1805	1075	1935	1155	2075	1240	2230					
			6000	1025	1850	1100	1990	1185	2140	1275	2300	1370	2475					
			7000	1130	2050	1215	2210	1310	2380	1410	2560	1515	2755					
			8000	1245	2275	1345	2460	1450	2655	1560	2865	1680	3090					
			1900	47	54	S.L.	470	865	505	920	540	985	580	1045	620	1115	680	1215
1000	515	940				550	1005	590	1070	635	1140	680	1215					
2000	560	1025				605	1095	645	1170	695	1245	745	1330					
3000	615	1115				660	1195	710	1275	760	1365	815	1455					
4000	670	1220				725	1305	780	1400	835	1495	895	1595					
5000	740	1340				795	1435	855	1535	920	1640	985	1755					
6000	810	1470				875	1575	940	1690	1010	1810	1085	1940					
7000	895	1620				965	1740	1035	1865	1115	2000	1195	2145					
8000	985	1790				1065	1925	1145	2065	1230	2220	1320	2385					

Figure 5-4. Takeoff Distance (Sheet 2 of 2)

TIME, FUEL, AND DISTANCE TO CLIMB

MAXIMUM RATE OF CLIMB

CONDITIONS:

Flaps Up
Full Throttle
Standard Temperature

NOTES:

1. Add 1.1 gallons of fuel for engine start, taxi and takeoff allowance.
2. Mixture leaned above 3000 feet for maximum RPM.
3. Increase time, fuel and distance by 10% for each 10°C above standard temperature.
4. Distances shown are based on zero wind.

WEIGHT LBS	PRESSURE ALTITUDE FT	TEMP °C	CLIMB SPEED KIAS	RATE OF CLIMB FPM	FROM SEA LEVEL		
					TIME MIN	FUEL USED GALLONS	DISTANCE NM
2300	S.L.	15	73	770	0	0.0	0
	1000	13	73	725	1	0.3	2
	2000	11	72	675	3	0.6	3
	3000	9	72	630	4	0.9	5
	4000	7	71	580	6	1.2	8
	5000	5	71	535	8	1.6	10
	6000	3	70	485	10	1.9	12
	7000	1	69	440	12	2.3	15
	8000	-1	69	390	15	2.7	19
	9000	-3	68	345	17	3.2	22
	10,000	-5	68	295	21	3.7	27
	11,000	-7	67	250	24	4.2	32
12,000	-9	67	200	29	4.9	38	

Figure 5-6. Time, Fuel, and Distance to Climb

CRUISE PERFORMANCE

CONDITIONS:

2300 Pounds

Recommended Lean Mixture

PRESSURE ALTITUDE FT	RPM	20°C BELOW STANDARD TEMP			STANDARD TEMPERATURE			20°C ABOVE STANDARD TEMP		
		% BHP	KTAS	GPH	% BHP	KTAS	GPH	% BHP	KTAS	GPH
2000	2500	---	---	---	75	116	8.4	71	115	7.9
	2400	72	111	8.0	67	111	7.5	63	110	7.1
	2300	64	106	7.1	60	105	6.7	56	105	6.3
	2200	56	101	6.3	53	100	6.1	50	99	5.8
	2100	50	95	5.8	47	94	5.6	45	93	5.4
4000	2550	---	---	---	75	118	8.4	71	118	7.9
	2500	76	116	8.5	71	115	8.0	67	115	7.5
	2400	68	111	7.6	64	110	7.1	60	109	6.7
	2300	60	105	6.8	57	105	6.4	54	104	6.1
	2200	54	100	6.1	51	99	5.9	48	98	5.7
2100	48	94	5.6	46	93	5.5	44	92	5.3	
6000	2600	---	---	---	75	120	8.4	71	120	7.9
	2500	72	116	8.1	67	115	7.6	64	114	7.1
	2400	64	110	7.2	60	109	6.8	57	109	6.4
	2300	57	105	6.5	54	104	6.2	52	103	5.9
	2200	51	99	5.9	49	98	5.7	47	97	5.5
2100	46	93	5.5	44	92	5.4	42	91	5.2	
8000	2650	---	---	---	75	122	8.4	71	122	7.9
	2600	76	120	8.6	71	120	8.0	67	119	7.5
	2500	68	115	7.7	64	114	7.2	60	113	6.8
	2400	61	110	6.9	58	109	6.5	55	108	6.2
	2300	55	104	6.2	52	103	6.0	50	102	5.8
2200	49	98	5.7	47	97	5.5	45	96	5.4	
10,000	2650	76	122	8.6	71	122	8.0	67	121	7.5
	2600	72	120	8.1	68	119	7.6	64	118	7.1
	2500	65	114	7.3	61	114	6.8	58	112	6.5
	2400	58	109	6.5	55	108	6.2	52	107	6.0
	2300	52	103	6.0	50	102	5.8	48	101	5.6
2200	47	97	5.6	45	96	5.4	44	95	5.3	
12,000	2600	68	119	7.7	64	118	7.2	61	117	6.8
	2500	62	114	6.9	58	113	6.5	55	111	6.2
	2400	56	108	6.3	53	107	6.0	51	106	5.8
	2300	50	102	5.8	48	101	5.6	46	100	5.5
	2200	46	96	5.5	44	95	5.4	43	94	5.3

Figure 5-7. Cruise Performance

LANDING DISTANCE

SHORT FIELD

CONDITIONS:

Flaps 40°
Power Off
Maximum Braking
Paved, Level, Dry Runway
Zero Wind

NOTES:

- Short field technique as specified in Section 4.
- Decrease distances 10% for each 9 knots headwind. For operation with tailwinds up to 10 knots, increase distances by 10% for each 2 knots
- For operation on a dry, grass runway, increase distances by 45% of the "ground roll" figure.

WEIGHT LBS	SPEED AT 50 FT KIAS	PRESS ALT FT	0°C			10°C			20°C			30°C			40°C			
			GRND ROLL	TOTAL TO CLEAR 50 FT OBS	GRND ROLL	TOTAL TO CLEAR 50 FT OBS	GRND ROLL	TOTAL TO CLEAR 50 FT OBS	GRND ROLL	TOTAL TO CLEAR 50 FT OBS	GRND ROLL	TOTAL TO CLEAR 50 FT OBS	GRND ROLL	TOTAL TO CLEAR 50 FT OBS				
2300	60	S.L.	495	1205	510	1235	530	1265	545	1295	565	1330	565	1365	565	1330	565	1365
		1000	510	1235	530	1265	550	1300	565	1330	590	1370	590	1405	610	1440	610	1475
		2000	530	1265	550	1300	570	1335	590	1370	610	1405	630	1440	655	1480	655	1515
		3000	550	1300	570	1335	590	1370	615	1410	635	1445	655	1480	680	1515	705	1550
		4000	570	1335	590	1370	615	1410	635	1450	685	1490	710	1535	730	1570	730	1615
		5000	590	1370	615	1415	635	1450	660	1490	710	1535	735	1575	760	1620	760	1665
		6000	615	1415	640	1455	660	1495	685	1535	710	1575	735	1620	760	1665	760	1710
		7000	640	1455	660	1495	685	1535	710	1580	735	1620	760	1665	760	1710	760	1760
8000	665	1500	690	1540	710	1580	735	1620	760	1665	760	1710	760	1760	760	1810		

Figure 5-10. Landing Distance