

Speed theory to plane inferno

Excessive landing speed may have caused the crash of a passenger jet in the Indonesian city of Yogyakarta. Air force personnel aboard the plane say it bounced as it hit the tarmac, sped past the end of the runway, through a fence, and into a paddy field where it burst into flames

Flight GA 200: Boeing 737-400 carrying 133 passengers and seven crew crashes after scheduled flight from Jakarta

Fast landing on bumpy Yogyakarta runway could have caused nose wheel to shear



Starboard wing may have hit ground

Fuel lines could have fractured or engine may have hit runway causing turbine blades to cut lines or penetrate fuel tanks.
Fire described as starting along right hand side of aircraft



■ Of the 129 Boeing 737 write-offs, only four have been caused by fast landings

Sources: Eye-witness descriptions, aircraft accident reports

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