

## Cessna 185 Models

## 1961 Model 185

## Serial numbers 0001 through 0237

- The Cessna 185 was introduced, similar to the 180
- Featured a 260hp Continental fuel injected IO-470-F. Compared to the 1961 180, the 185 had stronger firewall, landing gear and axles.
- The interior was extended and a third side window was added.
- Seating was for six.
- A long dorsal fin from the vertical stabilizer was the main visible difference from the 180. Fuel capacity was 65 gallons with 84 gallons optional

#### 1962 Model 185

## Serial numbers 0238 through 0512

- New wing tips with integral position lights which increase span two inches.
- Vernier mixture and throttle controls.
- Two electric auxiliary fuel pumps.

### 1963 Model 185

## Serial numbers 0513 through 0653

- Overhead light console.
- Die cast magnesium rudder pedals.
- One electric auxiliary pump.
- Semi-reclining front seats.

#### 1964 Model 185C

## Serial numbers 0654 through 0776

- 52 amp, 14V alternator replaces generator.
- Manual tail wheel lock.
- Dual piston brakes

#### 1965 Model 185D

## Serial numbers 0777 through 0967

- Center mounted avionics.
- Open view control wheels.
- Integrated engine instrument cluster.
- Improved fuel strainer.

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## 1966 Model 185E

## Serial numbers 0968 through 1149

- Continental IO-520-D engine, 300 hp optional. Aircraft with this engine are designated A185E
- Standard aircraft with IO-520-D engine has 100 lb. gross weight increase.
- Improved door latches.
- Front seat leg room increased.

## 1967 Model A185E

## Serial numbers 1150 through 1300

- IO-520-D engine standard.
- Pointed spinner increases length 3 inches.
- Extended rear cabin compartment.
- Split bus electrical system.
- Individual center passenger seats.
- 60 amp alternator.
- Aeroflash rotating beacon.
- Optional crosswind gear.
- Cleveland brakes standard.

#### 1968 Model A185E

## Serial numbers 1301 through 1447

- Redesigned induction system.
- New baggage door.

## 1969 Model A185E

## Serial numbers 1448 through 1599

• 300/400 Series ARC avionics available.

## 1970 Model A185E

## Serial numbers 1600 through 1832

- Optional left side loading door.
- Conical camber wing tips decrease wing span 4 inches.

## 1971 Model A185E

## Serial numbers 1833 through 1934

• No major changes made.

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#### **1972 Model A185E**

## Serial numbers 1935 through 2090

• "Ag carryall" option introduced featuring external 151 gallon chemical tank, removable spray booms with 30 nozzles, wind driven spray system, windshield wire cutters, and vertical stabilizer cable deflector.

#### 1973 Model A185F

### Serial numbers 2091 through 2310

- "Camber light" wing with bonded leading edge.
- Dual cowl mounted landing/taxi lights.
- Split rocker master switch.
- Redesigned instrument panel.

#### 1974 Model A185F

## Serial numbers 2311 through 2565

- Optional bubble door windows and lower door panel windows.
- Optional skylights.
- Optional rudder pedal extensions.
- Vertical fin attachment redesigned.

#### 1975 Model A185F

#### Serial numbers 2566 through 2838

• No major changes made.

#### 1976 Model A185F

## Serial numbers 2839 through 3153

- Primary airspeed indicator in knots.
- Fifth and sixth seat fold flush.
- Flap extension speed increased to 120 knots.
- Optional tail cone lift handles.
- Fuel selector changed to "left/both/right".
- McCauley wheels and brakes standard.

#### **1977 Model A185F**

## Serial numbers 3154 through 3458

- McCauley tail wheel and stronger tail wheel gear/spring.
- Redesigned control wheels, small.

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• New basic flight instruments in "T" configuration.

## 1978 Model A185F

#### Serial numbers 3459 through 3683

- 28V electrical system, avionics master switch.
- Skywagon II options package available.
- Optional three bladed prop with heavier engine mount.

## 1979 Model A185F

## Serial numbers 3684 through 3938

- New design optional wheel and brake fairing.
- New "wet" wing holding 88 gallons.

## 1980 Model A185F

## Serial numbers 3939 through 4138

- Three bladed prop standard.
- Polyurethane paint standard.
- Ag carryall option dropped.
- Strengthened engine mount.
- Improved audio panel.
- Push button baggage door latch.

#### 1981 Model A185F

## Serial numbers 4139 through 4328

- Improved avionics cooling system eliminates exterior ram scoop
- Bladder fuel tanks optional.

#### **1982 Model A185F**

## Serial numbers 4329 through 4394

- Single piece fuel selector shaft.
- Plastic rudder pedals.

#### 1983 Model A185F

## Serial numbers 4395 through 4415

- Low vacuum warning light added.
- Direct mounting engine oil filter, eliminating adapter.

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## **1984 Model A185F**

## Serial numbers 4416 through 4424

• No major changes made.

# 1985 Model A185F

## Serial numbers 4425 through 4448

• No major changes made.