

STATE AIRCRAFT UNIT VICTORIA – AIRCRAFT FACT SHEET

Convair CV-580 with RADS II-220 retardant delivery system

Aircraft Type		Conair Convair CV-580 Multi engine air tanker (MEAT)	
Aircrew		Pilot / Second officer	
Capability		VFR fire fighting operations	IFR Repositioning
Specified min. take off distance		5000 feet	1524 metres
Engines / Propellers		Allison 501 D13 3750 shp	Aero-products A6441FN-606A
Additional capabilities		Water Methanol Injection	Traffic Collision Avoidance Detection
Gross Take-Off Weight		58,156 pounds	26,379 kilograms
Empty Weight		31,500 pounds	14,288 kilograms
Maximum landing weight		52,000 pounds	23,586 kilograms
Wingspan		105 feet 4 inches	32.10 metres
Length		81 feet 6 inches	24.84 metres
Height		29 feet 2 inches	8.89 metres
Cruise Speed	No suppressant	285 knots (at 8000 feet ASL)	527 kilometres/hour
	fully loaded	265 knots (at 8000 feet ASL)	490 kilometres/hour
Minimum drop speed		125 knots	231 kilometres/hour
Fuel Types		Turbine Jet "A", "B"	
Operational fuel uplift		8,000 pounds	4235 litres
Operational fuel consumption		2700 pounds/hour.	1225 litres/hour
Endurance	No suppressant	5.0 hours	
	fully loaded	3.0 hours	
Range	No suppressant	1425 nautical miles	2639 kilometres
	Fully loaded	945 nautical miles	1750 kilometres
Operational loiter speed		150 knots	277 kilometres/hour
Delivery system		Aero Union RADS II-220 Tank-Constant (variable) flow	
Capacity		2100 US–Gal	7950 litres
Compartments / Drop doors		1	2

