

**3423-14 Electronic Instrument Trades
(review)**

March 2009

Review rating: *No Shortage*

Employer and industry comments/current labour market

A survey of 20 employers who recently advertised for electronic instrument tradespeople was undertaken in March 2009. Nationally 68 per cent of surveyed vacancies were filled within four weeks of advertising. Despite a slight fall from the fill rate of 74 per cent recorded when the occupation was last reviewed in May 2008, the number of suitable applicants increased from 3 per vacancy in May 2008 to 4 per vacancy at this time. Vacancies remained unfilled despite receiving applications from suitable applicants when the applicants withdrew because of the employment conditions or wages offered. If this had not occurred a fill rate of 73 per cent would have been recorded; a fill rate consistent with both May 2008 (74 per cent) and January 2007 (100 per cent).

Labour Market Outlook

There are no indications that the labour market for electronic instrument tradespeople will change significantly over the next six months.