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Australian engineering vacancies report – Trends in 2019

Engineers Australia has released the Australian engineering vacancies report – Trends in 2019.

This report investigates trends in engineering employment in Australia through analysis of engineering vacancies data for 2019.

Key findings of the report:

- The 12 months of 2019 have seen the downward trend for Australian engineering vacancies nationally.
- The downward trend is mirrored across vacancies generally and reflects a broad softening of the Australian economy overall.
- On a state and territory basis, the downward trend is mirrored except in WA and Tasmania, where engineering vacancies have enjoyed an upward trend during 2019.
- NSW continues to advertise the highest number of engineering vacancies in Australia, but vacancies have experienced a downward trend over the 12 months of 2019.
- Victoria, Queensland and Western Australia also continue to record higher numbers of engineering vacancies than the smaller states of South Australia and Tasmania, and the territories.
- Civil engineering vacancies continue to dominate the Australian engineering employment landscape.

Full report:

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Quotes attributable to Engineers Australia CEO Dr Bronwyn Evans:

The analysis of internet vacancy data provides a valuable gauge of the engineering labour market. The report focuses on trends in specific engineering occupation across Australia and its states and territories to provide a broad indication of the direction of the engineering labour market.

Advertised vacancies in Australia were trending down throughout 2019 overall but the end of 2019 saw a slight recovery. The downward trend reflects the slowing down of the Australian and global economy during 2018/19. Thankfully, the trends show a recovery for engineering vacancies towards the end of 2019 and this is expected to continue in line with predictions for broader economic recovery.

Civil engineering vacancies have consistently dominated the Australian engineering employment landscape since IVI data records began and the last year is no exception. The awarding of major civil infrastructure projects has generated business for associated industries boosting the demand for civil engineers.

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