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Andrew Little has been National Secretary of the Engineering, Printing and Manufacturing Union, New Zealand's largest private sector trade union, since August 2000. Prior to that Andrew was a solicitor for the union, rising to the position of General Counsel.

The EPMU represents nearly 50,000 workers across eleven industries including engineering, manufacturing, aviation, postal and logistics, timber, energy and mining, food, plastics, print and media, electro-communications and public service and infrastructure.

The union negotiates around 1000 collective agreements, including a number of successful multi-employer collectives. The union is at the forefront of promoting industry training and skill formation and is involved in a range of initiatives to transform New Zealand into a high-skill, high-wage economy.

The EPMU has also led a number of high profile and successful campaigns over the last few years, including the FairShare 5% campaign, the WorkRights campaign against National's 90 day probation bill, and most recently the campaign to stop the contracting out of engineering and ground services staff at Air New Zealand.