## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

## FORM 8-K

#### **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

July 26, 2012

National Instruments Corporation (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 000-25426 (Commission File Number)

74-1871327 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

11500 North MoPac Expressway
Austin, Texas 78759
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(512) 338-9119 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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## Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Conditions

Attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein is the text of the registrant's press release, dated July 26, 2012, regarding financial results for the registrant's first fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2012.

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release dated July 26, 2012

## **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

## NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORPORATION

By:/s/ DAVID G. HUGLEY
David G. Hugley
Vice President & General Counsel; Secretary

Date: July 26, 2012