# Acting minister arrangements

1 July to 30 September 2025



## Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Collins	29 July 2025	1 August 2025	C King

## Attorney-General's

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Rowland	9 September 2025	11 September 2025	Watt

## Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Watt	21 June 2025	5 July 2025	Ayres (21 June to 29 June) C King (30 June to 5 July)
Bowen	7 July 2025	11 July 2025	M King
Watt	8 July 2025	13 July 2025	Conroy
Bowen	19 September 2025	27 September 2025	Watt

#### Defence

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Marles	3 July 2025	13 July 2025	Conroy
Keogh	5 July 2025	13 July 2025	McBain
Conroy	14 July 2025	20 July 2025	Keogh
Marles	11 August 2025	13 August 2025	Bowen
Conroy	12 August 2025	13 August 2025	Keogh
Marles	20 August 2025	24 August 2025	Conroy
Marles	25 August 2025	27 August 2025	Conroy
Marles	4 September 2025	6 September 2025	Conroy
Marles	15 September 2025	17 September 2025	Bowen
Conroy	15 September 2025	17 September 2025	Keogh
Keogh	29 September 2025	3 October 2025	McBain
Conroy	30 September 2025	4 October 2025	Ayres

## Education

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Clare	7 July 2025	13 July 2025	Rowland
Walsh	10 July 2025	13 July 2025	Rowland
Clare	29 September 2025	5 October 2025	Bowen

# **Employment and Workplace Relations**

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Giles	15 August 2025	21 August 2025	Rishworth
Rishworth	26 September 2025	5 October 2025	Farrell

#### Finance

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Gallagher	7 July 2025	15 July 2025	Chalmers (Finance and Government Services) McCarthy (Women and Public Service)
Farrell	23 September 2025	26 September 2025	Rishworth (23 to 25 September 2025) Ayres (26 September 2025)

# Foreign Affairs and Trade

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Aly	28 June 2025	4 July 2025	Ayres (International Development) Gallagher (Small Business) Burke (Multicultural Affairs)
Wong	30 June 2025	4 July 2025	Burke
Aly	8 July 2025	13 July 2025	Chalmers (Small Business) Conroy (International Development) Burke (Multicultural Affairs)
Wong	9 July 2025	12 July 2025	Chalmers
Wong	13 July 2025	20 July 2025	Burke
Conroy	14 July 2025	20 July 2025	Keogh
Aly	3 August 2025	8 August 2025	Burke
Wong	12 August 2025	14 August 2025	Gallagher
Conroy	12 August 2025	13 August 2025	Keogh
Wong	18 August 2025	21 August 2025	Ayres
Wong	4 September 2025	6 September 2025	Butler
Conroy	15 September 2025	17 September 2025	Keogh
Wong	19 September 2025	27 September 2025	Gallagher
Farrell	23 September 2025	26 September 2025	Rishworth (23 to 25 September 2025) Ayres (26 September 2025)
Wong	27 September 2025	6 October 2025	Ayres
Conroy	30 September 2025	4 October 2025	Ayres

## Health, Disability and Ageing

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Butler	28 June 2025	13 July 2025	Rishworth (28 June to 3 July 2025) Burke (4 July to 8 July 2025) Rishworth (9 to 13 July 2025)
McAllister	7 July 2025	16 July 2025	Rishworth (7 to 13 July 2025) Butler (14 to 16 July 2025)
Rae	12 July 2025	16 July 2025	Rishworth (12 to 13 July 2025) Butler (14 to 16 July 2025)
McAllister	29 September 2025	5 October 2025	Butler

## **Home Affairs**

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Aly	28 June 2025	4 July 2025	Ayres (International Development) Gallagher (Small Business) Burke (Multicultural Affairs)
Aly	8 July 2025	13 July 2025	Chalmers (Small Business) Conroy (International Development) Burke (Multicultural Affairs)
Aly	3 August 2025	8 August 2025	Burke
Burke	28 August 2025	29 August 2025	Wong
Burke	5 September 2025	12 September 2025	Conroy
McBain	8 September 2025	20 September 2025	M King

## Industry, Science and Resources

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Ayres	7 July 2025	18 July 2025	Watt (7 to 8 July 2025) M King (9 to 16 July 2025) Watt (17 to 18 July 2025)
M King	22 September 2025	26 September 2025	Rowland

# Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Wells	7 July 2025	20 July 2025	Rishworth
C King	11 July 2025	20 July 2025	Collins
Burke	28 August 2025	29 August 2025	Wong
Burke	5 September 2025	12 September 2025	Conroy
McBain	8 September 2025	20 September 2025	M King
C King	11 September 2025	25 September 2025	Watt (11 to 19 September 2025) Collins (20 to 25 September 2025)
Wells	20 September 2025	27 September 2025	Burke
M King	22 September 2025	26 September 2025	Rowland

#### Prime Minister and Cabinet

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Gallagher	7 July 2025	15 July 2025	Chalmers (Finance and Government Services) McCarthy (Women and Public Service)
Albanese	12 July 2025	18 July 2025	Wong (12 to 13 July 2025) Marles (13 to 18 July 2025)
Albanese	9 August 2025	10 August 2025	Marles
McCarthy	25 August 2025	31 August 2025	Gallagher
Albanese	9 September 2025	11 September 2025	Marles
Albanese	15 September 2025	17 September 2025	Wong
Albanese	20 September 2025	30 September 2025	Marles

#### **Social Services**

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Plibersek	7 July 2025	17 July 2025	Rishworth

## Treasury

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Aly	28 June 2025	4 July 2025	Ayres (International Development) Gallagher (Small Business) Burke (Multicultural Affairs)
Chalmers	28 June 2025	6 July 2025	Gallagher
Aly	8 July 2025	13 July 2025	Chalmers (Small Business) Conroy (International Development) Burke (Multicultural Affairs)
O'Neil	11 July 2025	16 July 2025	Mulino
Chalmers	16 July 2025	19 July 2025	Gallagher
Aly	3 August 2025	8 August 2025	Burke
Mulino	14 September 2025	19 September 2025	Chalmers
Chalmers	24 September 2025	28 September 2025	Gallagher

#### Veterans' Affairs

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Keogh	5 July 2025	13 July 2025	McBain
Keogh	29 September 2025	3 October 2025	McBain

Note: In practice, acting arrangements begin from a specific time on a day. This may result in more than one minister being listed as acting on a particular day.