



# Ministerial offices, departments of state and guide to responsibilities

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Names of Cabinet ministers are shown in **bold**. Names of Assistant Ministers are shown in *italics*.

The column 'Guide to responsibilities' identifies, as a matter of practice, the division of ministerial responsibility within a portfolio. This guide does not have legal force. As a matter of law, any minister or assistant minister appointed to administer a particular department has the constitutional authority to administer any part of that department, and any legislation administered by that department.

## Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

| Name                        | Role                      | Office(s)   | Guide to responsibilities                      |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|---|--|
| <b>Anthony Albanese</b>     | <b>Cabinet Minister</b>   | Prime Minister  | All  |
| <b>Katy Gallagher</b>       | <b>Cabinet Minister</b>   | Minister for the Public Service<br>Minister for Women | The Public Service and Women                   |
| <b>Linda Burney</b>         | <b>Cabinet Minister</b>   | Minister for Indigenous Australians                   | Indigenous Australians                         |
| <b>Mark Dreyfus</b>         | <b>Cabinet Minister</b>   | Cabinet Secretary                                     | Cabinet Secretary                              |
| <i>Patrick Gorman</i>       | <i>Assistant Minister</i> | Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister              | Assist the Prime Minister                      |
| <i>Malarndirri McCarthy</i> | <i>Assistant Minister</i> | Assistant Minister for Indigenous Australians         | Assist the Minister for Indigenous Australians |

## Department of Defence

| Name                       | Role                      | Office(s)                                       | Guide to responsibilities   |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|---|---|
| <b>Richard Marles</b>      | <b>Cabinet Minister</b>   | Minister for Defence<br>(Deputy Prime Minister) | All   |
| <b>Clare O'Neil</b>        | <b>Cabinet Minister</b>   | Minister for Cyber Security                     | Cyber Security  |
| <b>Matt Keogh</b>          | Minister                  | Minister for Defence Personnel                  | Support the Minister for Defence on matters relating to Defence Personnel |
| <b>Pat Conroy</b>          | Minister                  | Minister for Defence Industry                   | Support the Minister for Defence on matters relating to Defence Industry  |
| <i>Matt Thistlethwaite</i> | <i>Assistant Minister</i> | Assistant Minister for Defence                  | Assist the Minister for Defence   |

## Department of Veterans' Affairs

| Name                       | Role                      | Office(s)                                | Guide to responsibilities                 |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|--|---|
| Matt Keogh                 | Minister                  | Minister for Veterans' Affairs           | All                                       |
| <i>Matt Thistlethwaite</i> | <i>Assistant Minister</i> | Assistant Minister for Veterans' Affairs | Assist the Minister for Veterans' Affairs |

## Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

| Name             | Role                      | Office(s)  | Guide to responsibilities   |
|------------------|---------------------------|--|---|
| Penny Wong       | Cabinet Minister          | Minister for Foreign Affairs                           | All except Trade and Tourism  |
| Don Farrell      | Cabinet Minister          | Minister for Trade and Tourism                         | Trade and Tourism   |
| Pat Conroy       | Minister                  | Minister for International Development and the Pacific | Support the Minister for Foreign Affairs on matters relating to International Development and the Pacific |
| <i>Tim Ayres</i> | <i>Assistant Minister</i> | Assistant Minister for Trade                           | Assist the Minister for Trade and Tourism on matters relating to Trade                                    |
| <i>Tim Watts</i> | <i>Assistant Minister</i> | Assistant Minister for Foreign Affairs                 | Assist the Minister for Foreign Affairs   |

## Department of the Treasury

| Name                | Role                      | Office(s)  | Guide to responsibilities  |
|---------------------|---------------------------|--|--|
| Jim Chalmers        | Cabinet Minister          | Treasurer  | All  |
| Julie Collins       | Cabinet Minister          | Minister for Small Business<br>Minister for Housing        | Small Business<br>Housing  |
| Stephen Jones       | Minister                  | Assistant Treasurer<br>Minister for Financial Services     | Support the Treasurer, including on matters relating to Financial Services           |
| <i>Andrew Leigh</i> | <i>Assistant Minister</i> | Assistant Minister for Competition, Charities and Treasury | Assist the Treasurer, in particular on matters relating to Competition and Charities |

## Department of Finance

| Name           | Role             | Office(s)                 | Guide to responsibilities  |
|----------------|------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Katy Gallagher | Cabinet Minister | Minister for Finance      | All except Special Minister of State   |
| Don Farrell    | Cabinet Minister | Special Minister of State | Special Minister of State (including Ministerial and Parliamentary Services and electoral matters) |

## Department of Employment and Workplace Relations

| Name             | Role             | Office(s)                                       | Guide to responsibilities      |
|------------------|------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| Tony Burke       | Cabinet Minister | Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations | All except Skills and Training |
| Brendan O'Connor | Cabinet Minister | Minister for Skills and Training                | Skills and Training            |

## Department of Education

| Name                    | Role                      | Office(s)  | Guide to responsibilities   |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|--|---|
| <b>Jason Clare</b>      | <b>Cabinet Minister</b>   | Minister for Education                                       | All   |
| Anne Aly                | Minister                  | Minister for Early Childhood Education<br>Minister for Youth | Support the Minister for Education on matters relating to Early Childhood Education and Youth |
| <i>Anthony Chisholm</i> | <i>Assistant Minister</i> | Assistant Minister for Education                             | Assist the Minister for Education, in particular on matters relating to regional education    |

## Department of Health and Aged Care

| Name                        | Role                      | Office(s)   | Guide to responsibilities   |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|---|---|
| <b>Mark Butler</b>          | <b>Cabinet Minister</b>   | Minister for Health and Aged Care   | All   |
| Anika Wells                 | Minister                  | Minister for Aged Care<br>Minister for Sport  | Support the Minister for Health and Aged Care on matters relating to Aged Care and Sport  |
| <i>Ged Kearney</i>          | <i>Assistant Minister</i> | Assistant Minister for Health and Aged Care   | Assist the Minister for Health and Aged Care, in particular on matters relating to women's health, health of specific population groups, and certain health regulatory frameworks |
| <i>Emma McBride</i>         | <i>Assistant Minister</i> | Assistant Minister for Mental Health and Suicide Prevention<br>Assistant Minister for Rural and Regional Health | Assist the Minister for Health and Aged Care on matters relating to Mental Health and Suicide Prevention, and Rural and Regional Health   |
| <i>Malarndirri McCarthy</i> | <i>Assistant Minister</i> | Assistant Minister for Indigenous Health  | Assist the Minister for Health and Aged Care on matters relating to Indigenous Health   |

## Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water

| Name                    | Role                      | Office(s)  | Guide to responsibilities                         |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|--|---|
| <b>Chris Bowen</b>      | <b>Cabinet Minister</b>   | Minister for Climate Change and Energy           | Climate Change and Energy                         |
| <b>Tanya Plibersek</b>  | <b>Cabinet Minister</b>   | Minister for the Environment and Water           | The Environment and Water                         |
| <i>Jenny McAllister</i> | <i>Assistant Minister</i> | Assistant Minister for Climate Change and Energy | Assist the Minister for Climate Change and Energy |

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

| Name                    | Role                      | Office(s)   | Guide to responsibilities   |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|---|---|
| Catherine King          | Cabinet Minister          | Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government | All except Communications, the Arts and Northern Australia  |
| Michelle Rowland        | Cabinet Minister          | Minister for Communications   | Communications  |
| Tony Burke              | Cabinet Minister          | Minister for the Arts   | The Arts  |
| Madeleine King          | Cabinet Minister          | Minister for Northern Australia   | Northern Australia  |
| Kristy McBain           | Minister                  | Minister for Regional Development, Local Government and Territories               | Support the Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government on matters relating to Regional Development, Local Government and Territories |
| <i>Carol Brown</i>      | <i>Assistant Minister</i> | Assistant Minister for Infrastructure and Transport                               | Assist the Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government on matters relating to Infrastructure and Transport                            |
| <i>Anthony Chisholm</i> | <i>Assistant Minister</i> | Assistant Minister for Regional Development                                       | Assist the Minister for Regional Development, Local Government and Territories on matters relating to Regional Development  |

## Department of Social Services

| Name                  | Role                      | Office(s)  | Guide to responsibilities  |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|--|--|
| Amanda Rishworth      | Cabinet Minister          | Minister for Social Services   | All except Housing, Homelessness, the National Disability Insurance Scheme and Government Services (including NDIA and Services Australia) |
| Bill Shorten          | Cabinet Minister          | Minister for the National Disability Insurance Scheme<br>Minister for Government Services          | The National Disability Insurance Scheme and Government Services (including NDIA and Services Australia)                                   |
| Julie Collins         | Cabinet Minister          | Minister for Housing<br>Minister for Homelessness  | Housing and Homelessness   |
| <i>Justine Elliot</i> | <i>Assistant Minister</i> | Assistant Minister for Social Services<br>Assistant Minister for the Prevention of Family Violence | Assist the Minister for Social Services, in particular on matters relating to the Prevention of Family Violence                            |

## Attorney-General's Department

| Name                       | Role                      | Office(s)                           | Guide to responsibilities                                       |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Mark Dreyfus               | Cabinet Minister          | Attorney-General                    | All   |
| <i>Matt Thistlethwaite</i> | <i>Assistant Minister</i> | Assistant Minister for the Republic | Assist the Attorney-General on matters relating to the Republic |

## Department of Industry, Science and Resources

| Name           | Role               | Office(s)                            | Guide to responsibilities   |
|----------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------|---|
| Madeleine King | Cabinet Minister   | Minister for Resources               | Resources   |
| Ed Husic       | Cabinet Minister   | Minister for Industry and Science    | Industry and Science  |
| Tim Ayres      | Assistant Minister | Assistant Minister for Manufacturing | Assist the Minister for Industry and Science on matters relating to Manufacturing |

## Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry

| Name        | Role             | Office(s)  | Guide to responsibilities |
|-------------|------------------|--|---------------------------|
| Murray Watt | Cabinet Minister | Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry | All                       |

## Department of Home Affairs

| Name         | Role             | Office(s)   | Guide to responsibilities   |
|--------------|------------------|---|---|
| Clare O'Neil | Cabinet Minister | Minister for Home Affairs<br>Minister for Cyber Security        | All except Emergency Management   |
| Murray Watt  | Cabinet Minister | Minister for Emergency Management                               | Emergency Management  |
| Andrew Giles | Minister         | Minister for Immigration, Citizenship and Multicultural Affairs | Support the Minister for Home Affairs on matters relating to Immigration, Citizenship, Migrant Services and Multicultural Affairs |