



# Acting minister arrangements

1 October 2024 to 19 January 2025

## Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Collins	13 November 2024	16 November 2024	Leigh (Minister for Small Business) Chisholm (Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry)
Collins	13 January 2025	20 January 2025	Leigh (Minister for Small Business) Chisholm (Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry)

## Attorney-General's

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Dreyfus	13 January 2025	20 January 2025	Gallagher

## Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Bowen	30 September 2024	7 October 2024	Plibersek
Bowen	21 October 2024	27 October 2024	Plibersek
Bowen	14 November 2024	24 November 2024	Plibersek
Bowen	27 December 2024	14 January 2025	Plibersek

## Defence

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Keogh	28 September 2024	3 October 2024	Conroy
Marles	1 October 2024	3 October 2024	Conroy
Conroy	13 October 2024	14 October 2024	M King
Conroy	14 October 2024	24 October 2024	Collins
Marles	19 October 2024	21 October 2024	Farrell
Burke	30 October 2024	2 November 2024	Watt
Conroy	20 November 2024	21 November 2024	Keogh
Burke	2 December 2024	4 December 2024	Watt
Marles	2 December 2024	6 December 2024	Conroy
Conroy	13 December 2024	24 December 2024	Marles
Marles	14 December 2024	20 December 2024	Farrell

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Burke	16 December 2024	22 December 2024	Watt (16 to 20 December) Butler (21 to 22 December)
Marles	21 December 2024	4 January 2024	Keogh (21 to 24 December) Conroy (25 December to 4 January)
Keogh	2 January 2025	12 January 2025	Conroy
Burke	6 January 2025	13 January 2025	Watt
Marles	16 January 2025	18 January 2025	Conroy

## Education

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Aly	30 September 2024	4 October 2024	Clare
Clare	18 December 2024	31 December 2024	Plibersek
Aly	26 December 2024	10 January 2025	Plibersek (26 to 31 December) Clare (1 to 10 January)

## Employment and Workplace Relations

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Watt	21 December 2024	5 January 2025	C King (21 to 22 December) Burke (23 December to 5 January)
Giles	26 December 2024	7 January 2025	Burke (26 December to 5 January) Watt (6 to 7 January)

## Finance

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Farrell	3 November 2024	5 November 2024	Rishworth
Farrell	1 December 2024	4 December 2024	Rishworth
Farrell	4 January 2025	19 January 2025	Rishworth

## Foreign Affairs and Trade

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Wong	30 September 2024	5 October 2024	Chalmers
Conroy	13 October 2024	14 October 2024	M King
Conroy	14 October 2024	24 October 2024	Collins
Wong	23 October 2024	26 October 2024	Gallagher
Farrell	3 November 2024	5 November 2024	Rishworth
Conroy	20 November 2024	21 November 2024	Keogh
Farrell	1 December 2024	4 December 2024	Rishworth

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Wong	2 December 2024	6 December 2024	Chalmers
Conroy	13 December 2024	24 December 2024	Marles
Wong	14 December 2024	12 January 2025	Dreyfus
Farrell	4 January 2025	19 January 2025	Rishworth
Wong	18 January 2025	29 January 2025	Gallagher (18 to 24 January) Chalmers (25 to 29 January)

## Health and Aged Care

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Wells	17 October 2024	18 October 2024	Butler
Wells	16 December 2024	27 December 2024	Butler
Butler	6 January 2025	12 January 2025	Wells
Wells	13 January 2025	17 January 2025	Butler

## Home Affairs

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
McAllister	28 September 2024	7 October 2024	McBain
Burke	30 October 2024	2 November 2024	Watt
Burke	2 December 2024	4 December 2024	Watt
Burke	16 December 2024	22 December 2024	Watt (16 to 20 December) Butler (21 to 22 December)
McAllister	16 December 2024	22 December 2024	C King
Burke	6 January 2025	13 January 2025	Watt

## Industry, Science and Resources

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
M King	22 October 2024	25 October 2024	Rishworth
Husic	15 December 2024	17 December 2024	Bowen
Husic	21 December 2024	7 January 2025	Plibersek
M King	15 January 2025	30 January 2025	Rishworth

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

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
McAllister	28 September 2024	7 October 2024	McBain
M King	22 October 2024	25 October 2024	Rishworth
Burke	30 October 2024	2 November 2024	Watt

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Burke	2 December 2024	4 December 2024	Watt
Burke	16 December 2024	22 December 2024	Watt (16 to 20 December) Butler (21 to 22 December)
McAllister	16 December 2024	22 December 2024	C King
McBain	21 December 2024	28 December 2024	M King
C King	23 December 2024	5 January 2025	Burke
Rowland	23 December 2024	5 January 2025	Plibersek
Burke	6 January 2025	13 January 2025	Watt
M King	15 January 2025	30 January 2025	Rishworth

## Prime Minister and Cabinet

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Albanese	9 October 2024	12 October 2024	Marles
Albanese	24 October 2024	26 October 2024	Marles
Albanese	13 November 2024	21 November 2024	Marles
McCarthy	12 December 2024	14 January 2025	Dreyfus (12 December to 12 January) Gallagher (13 to 14 January)
Dreyfus	13 January 2025	20 January 2025	Gallagher

## Social Services

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Rishworth	24 December 2024	3 January 2025	Farrell
O'Neil	4 January 2025	5 January 2025	Jones (Treasury portfolio) Rishworth (Social Services portfolio)
O'Neil	6 January 2025	13 January 2025	Rishworth

## Treasury

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Chalmers	23 October 2024	27 October 2024	Gallagher
Collins	13 November 2024	16 November 2024	Leigh (Minister for Small Business) Chisholm (Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry)
Jones	15 December 2024	17 December 2024	Chalmers
Jones	23 December 2024	3 January 2025	Chalmers
O'Neil	4 January 2025	5 January 2025	Jones (Treasury portfolio) Rishworth (Social Services portfolio)
Jones	6 January 2025	12 January 2025	Chalmers
O'Neil	6 January 2025	13 January 2025	Rishworth

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Collins	13 January 2025	20 January 2025	Leigh (Minister for Small Business) Chisholm (Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry)

### Veterans' Affairs (Defence portfolio)

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Keogh	28 September 2024	3 October 2024	Conroy
Keogh	2 January 2025	12 January 2025	Conroy

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.