



Acting minister arrangements

1 April to 30 June 2024

Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Watt	29 March	12 April	C King
Watt	18 June	20 June	C King

Attorney-General's

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Dreyfus	17 June	20 June	Rowland

Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Bowen	13 April	18 April	Plibersek

Defence

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
O'Neil	3 April	4 April	Chalmers
Conroy	7 April	13 April	Keogh (7 to 10 April) Jones (11 to 13 April)
Marles	10 April	15 April	O'Connor
Keogh	11 April	14 April	O'Connor
Keogh	20 April	30 April	Conroy (20 to 29 April) Thistlethwaite (30 April)
Marles	22 April	29 April	Bowen (22 to 26 April) O'Connor (26 to 29 April)
Conroy	30 April	1 May	Giles
Marles	1 May	5 May	O'Connor
O'Neil	6 May	8 May	Dreyfus
Marles	20 May	21 May	O'Connor
Marles	30 May	3 June	O'Connor
O'Neil	18 June	20 June	Chalmers

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Conroy	18 June	20 June	Keogh
Marles	19 June	20 June	O'Connor

Education

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Aly	12 April	21 April	Clare
Clare	22 April	25 April	Rishworth
Aly	9 June	13 June	Clare

Employment and Workplace Relations

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Burke	1 April	19 April	O'Connor (1 to 6 April) Clare (7 to 12 April) O'Connor (13 to 19 April)
O'Connor	20 April	24 April	Burke

Finance

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Farrell	5 June	7 June	Rishworth

Foreign Affairs and Trade

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Conroy	7 April	13 April	Keogh (7 to 10 April) Jones (11 to 13 April)
Wong	13 April	21 April	Gallagher
Conroy	30 April	1 May	Giles
Wong	8 May	9 May	Dreyfus
Wong	20 May	24 May	Watt
Wong	5 June	6 June	Dreyfus
Farrell	5 June	7 June	Rishworth
Wong	18 June	20 June	Chalmers
Conroy	18 June	20 June	Keogh

Health and Aged Care

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Butler	25 May	31 May	Wells

Home Affairs

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Watt	29 March	12 April	C King
O'Neil	3 April	4 April	Chalmers
O'Neil	6 May	8 May	Dreyfus
O'Neil	18 June	20 June	Chalmers
Watt	18 June	20 June	C King

Industry, Science and Resources

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Husic	30 May	6 June	Bowen

Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Burke	1 April	19 April	O'Connor (1 to 6 April) Clare (7 to 12 April) O'Connor (13 to 19 April)

Prime Minister and Cabinet

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Albanese	22 April	25 April	Wong
Dreyfus	17 June	20 June	Rowland

Social Services

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Shorten	2 April	7 April	Rishworth
Rishworth	7 June	15 June	Clare
Shorten	8 June	18 June	Collins

Treasury

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Jones	22 March	2 April	Chalmers
Chalmers	17 April	21 April	Gallagher
Jones	10 June	13 June	Leigh

Veterans' Affairs (Defence portfolio)

Minister	Start date	End date	Acting Minister
Keogh	11 April	14 April	O'Connor
Keogh	20 April	30 April	Conroy (20 to 29 April) Thistlethwaite (30 April)

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.