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 |
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| **Anthony Albanese** | **Cabinet Minister** | Prime Minister | All |
| **Katy Gallagher** | **Cabinet Minister** | Minister for the Public Service  Minister for Women | The Public Service and Women |
| **Malarndirri McCarthy** | **Cabinet Minister** | Minister for Indigenous Australians | Indigenous Australians |
| **Mark Dreyfus** | **Cabinet Minister** | Cabinet Secretary | Cabinet Secretary |
| *Patrick Gorman* | *Assistant Minister* | Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister  Assistant Minister for the Public Service | Assist the Prime Minister  Assist the Minister for the Public Service |
| *Tim Ayres* | *Assistant Minster* | Assistant Minster for a Future Made in Australia | Assist the Prime Minister on matters relating to a Future Made in Australia |
| *Kate Thwaites* | *Assistant Minister* | Assistant Minister for Women | Assist the Minister for Women |

Department of Defence

| Name | Role | Office(s) | Guide to responsibilities |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Richard Marles** | **Cabinet Minister** | Minister for Defence  (Deputy Prime Minister) | All |
| **Tony Burke** | **Cabinet Minister** | Minister for Cyber Security | Cyber Security |
| **Pat Conroy** | **Cabinet Minister** | Minister for Defence Industry and Capability Delivery | Defence Industry and Capability Delivery |
| Matt Keogh | Minister | Minister for Defence Personnel | Support the Minister for Defence on matters relating to Defence Personnel |

Department of Veterans' Affairs

| Name | Role | Office(s) | Guide to responsibilities |
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| Matt Keogh | Minister | Minister for Veterans' Affairs | All |

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** | **Cabinet Minister** | Minister for International Development and the Pacific | International Development and the Pacific |
| *Tim Ayres* | *Assistant Minister* | Assistant Minister for Trade | Assist the Minister for Trade and Tourism on matters relating to Trade |
| *Tim Watts* | *Assistant Minister* | Assistant Minister for Foreign Affairs | Assist the Minister for Foreign Affairs |

Department of the Treasury

| Name | Role | Office(s) | Guide to responsibilities |
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| **Jim Chalmers** | **Cabinet Minister** | Treasurer | All |
| **Julie Collins** | **Cabinet Minister** | Minister for Small Business | Small Business |
| **Clare O’Neil** | **Cabinet Minister** | Minister for Housing | Housing |
| Stephen Jones | Minister | Assistant Treasurer  Minister for Financial Services | Support the Treasurer, including on matters relating to Financial Services |
| *Andrew Leigh* | *Assistant Minister* | 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 Home Affairs

| Name | Role | Office(s) | Guide to responsibilities |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Tony Burke** | **Cabinet Minister** | Minister for Home Affairs  Minister for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs  Minister for Cyber Security | All |
| Jenny McAllister | Minister | Minister for Emergency Management | Emergency Management |
| *Matt Thistlethwaite* | *Assistant Minister* | Assistant Minister for Immigration | Assist the Minster for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs, in particular on matters relating to Immigration |
| *Julian Hill* | *Assistant Minister* | Assistant Minister for Citizenship and Multicultural Affairs | Assist the Minster for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs, in particular on matters relating to Citizenship and Multicultural Affairs |

Department of Health and Aged Care

| Name | Role | Office(s) | Guide to responsibilities |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Mark Butler** | **Cabinet Minister** | Minister for Health and Aged Care | All |
| Anika Wells | Minister | Minister for Aged Care  Minister for Sport | Support the Minister for Health and Aged Care on matters relating to Aged Care and Sport |
| *Ged Kearney* | *Assistant Minister* | Assistant Minister for Health and Aged Care  Assistant Minster for Indigenous Health | Assist the Minister for Health and Aged Care, in particular on matters relating to women's health, health of specific population groups, certain health regulatory frameworks, and Indigenous Health |
| *Emma McBride* | *Assistant Minister* | Assistant Minister for Mental Health and Suicide Prevention  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 |
| *Kate Thwaites* | *Assistant Minister* | Assistant Minister for Ageing | Assist the Minister for Health and Aged Care on matters relating to Ageing |

Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water

| Name | Role | Office(s) | Guide to responsibilities |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Chris Bowen** | **Cabinet Minister** | Minister for Climate Change and Energy | Climate Change and Energy |
| **Tanya Plibersek** | **Cabinet Minister** | Minister for the Environment and Water | The Environment and Water |
| *Josh Wilson* | *Assistant Minister* | 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 | Regional Development, Local Government and Territories |
| Jenny McAllister | Minister | Minister for Cities | Cities |
| *Anthony Chisholm* | *Assistant Minister* | Assistant Minister for Regional Development | Assist the Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government 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  Minister for Government Services | The National Disability Insurance Scheme and Government Services (including NDIA and Services Australia) |
| **Clare O’Neil** | **Cabinet Minister** | Minister for Housing  Minister for Homelessness | Housing and Homelessness |
| *Justine Elliot* | *Assistant Minister* | Assistant Minister for Social Services  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 |
| *Kate Thwaites* | *Assistant Minister* | Assistant Minister for Social Security | Assist the Minister for Social Services, in particular on matters relating to Social Security |

Attorney-General's Department

| Name | Role | Office(s) | Guide to responsibilities |
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| **Mark Dreyfus** | **Cabinet Minister** | Attorney-General | All |
| *Patrick Gorman* | *Assistant Minister* | Assistant Minister to the Attorney‑General | Assist the Attorney-General |

Department of Education

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

Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry

| Name | Role | Office(s) | Guide to responsibilities |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Julie Collins** | **Cabinet Minister** | Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry | All |
| *Anthony Chisholm* | *Assistant Minister* | Assistant Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry | Assist the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry |

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 |

Department of Employment and Workplace Relations

| Name | Role | Office(s) | Guide to responsibilities |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Murray Watt** | **Cabinet Minister** | Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations | All |
| Andrew Giles | Minister | Minister for Skills and Training | Skills and Training |
| *Andrew Leigh* | *Assistant Minister* | Assistant Minister for Employment | Assist the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations on matters relating to Employment |