



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
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
<i>Patrick Gorman</i>	<i>Assistant Minister</i>	Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister Assistant Minister for the Public Service	Assist the Prime Minister Assist the Minister for the Public Service
<i>Tim Ayres</i>	<i>Assistant Minister</i>	Assistant Minister for a Future Made in Australia	Assist the Prime Minister on matters relating to a Future Made in Australia
<i>Kate Thwaites</i>	<i>Assistant Minister</i>	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
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
<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	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
<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 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 Minister 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 Minister 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	Cabinet Minister	Minister for Aged Care Minister for Sport	Aged Care and Sport
Ged Kearney	Assistant Minister	Assistant Minister for Health and Aged Care Assistant Minister 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 Minister for the National Disability Insurance Scheme	All except Housing and Homelessness, and Government Services (including Services Australia)
Katy Gallagher	Cabinet Minister	Minister for Government Services	Government Services (including Services Australia)
Clare O'Neil	Cabinet Minister	Minister for Housing Minister for Homelessness	Housing and Homelessness
Anne Aly	Minister	Minister Assisting the Minister for the National Disability Insurance Scheme	Support the Minister for the National Disability Insurance Scheme
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
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