

Cabinet Reshuffles: Western Australia and ACT

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Western Australia

On Thursday 7 December, Premier of Western Australia the Hon. Roger Cook MLA announced a Cabinet reshuffle ahead of the 2025 state election.

Member for Victoria Park Hannah Beazley has been elevated to the Cabinet following the resignation of the Hon. Bill Johnston MLA. Beazley will take on the ministerial portfolios of Local Government and Youth, along with becoming Minister Assisting the Minister for Training and Workforce Development.

The changes to Cabinet include:

- Reece Whitby MLA gains the Energy portfolio.
- David Michael MLA will add Mines and Petroleum.
- Simone McGurk picks up Industrial Relations.
- Paul Papalia will regain his former portfolios of Racing and Gaming.

Member for Cockburn David Scaife has been elevated to Parliamentary Secretary to the Hon. John Carey MLA, filling the vacancy left by Hannah Beazley.

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Minister	Portfolio
Hon Roger Cook MLA	Premier; State and Industry Development, Jobs and Trade; Public Sector Management; Federal-State Relations
Hon Rita Saffioti MLA	Deputy Premier; Treasurer; Transport; Tourism
Hon Sue Ellery MLC	Finance; Commerce; Women's Interests
Hon Stephen Dawson MLC	Emergency Services; Innovation and the Digital Economy; Science; Medical Research; Minister assisting the Minister for State and Industry Development, Jobs and Trade
Hon David Templeman MLA	Culture and the Arts; Sport and Recreation; International Education; Heritage
Hon John Quigley MLA	Attorney General; Electoral Affairs
Hon Paul Papalia MLA	Police; Corrective Services; Racing and Gaming; Defence Industry; Veterans Issues
Hon Dr Tony Buti MLA	Education; Aboriginal Affairs; Citizenship and Multicultural Interests
Hon Simone McGurk MLA	Training and Workforce Development; Water; Industrial Relations



Hon Amber-Jade Sanderson MLA	Health; Mental Health
Hon John Carey MLA	Planning; Lands; Housing; Homelessness
Hon Don Punch MLA	Regional Development; Disability Services; Fisheries; Seniors and Ageing; Volunteering
Hon Reece Whitby MLA	Energy, Environment; Climate Action
Hon Sabine Winton MLA	Early Childhood Education; Child Protection; Prevention of Family and Domestic Violence; Community Services
Hon David Michael MLA	Mines and Petroleum; Ports; Road Safety; Minister assisting the Minister for Transport
Hon Hannah Beazley MLA	Local Government; Youth; Minister Assisting the Minister for Training and Workforce Development
Hon Jackie Jarvis MLC	Agriculture and Food; Forestry; Small Business
Mrs Jessica Stojkovski MLA	Cabinet Secretary

Parliamentary Secretary	Minister
Mrs Jessica Stojkovski MLA	Hon Roger Cook MLA
Ms Jessica Shaw MLA	Hon Roger Cook MLA
Dr Jagadish (Jags) Krishnan MLA	Hon Roger Cook MLA & Hon Sue Ellery MLC
Ms Meredith Hammat MLA	Hon Rita Saffioti MLA & Hon Dr Tony Buti MLA
Ms Divina D'Anna MLA	Hon Rita Saffioti MLA
Ms Jodie Hanns MLA	Hon Stephen Dawson MLC
Hon Samantha Helen Rowe MLC	Hon David Templeman MLA
Hon Matthew Swinbourn MLC	Hon John Quigley MLA & Hon Simone McGurk MLA
Mr Terry Healy MLA	Hon Paul Papalia MLA
Mr Yaz Mubarakai MLA	Hon Dr Tony Buti MLA
Mr Simon Millman MLA	Hon Amber-Jade Sanderson MLA
Hon Pierre Yang MLC	Hon Amber-Jade Sanderson MLA
Mr David Scaife MLA	Hon John Carey MLA
Hon Kyle McGinn MLC	Hon Don Punch MLA
Hon Darren West MLC	Hon Reece Whitby MLA



Australian Capital Territory

On Monday 11 December, ACT Chief Minister the Hon. Andrew Barr MLA announced a Cabinet reshuffle as the Government looks to sharpen its focus on health, housing, cost-of-living and infrastructure in 2024.

The changes to Cabinet include:

- Chris Steel will add the Planning portfolio to his transport responsibilities.
- Tara Cheyne will take on City Services.
- Mick Gentlemen adds Business, Multicultural Affairs, and a new portfolio of Crime Prevention.
- Rachel Stephen-Smith gains the Disability portfolio.
- Rebecca Vassarotti adds Parks and Land Management to her environment responsibilities.
- Emma Davidson will take on Corrections and a new portfolio of Population Health.

The reshuffle also includes the announcement of a new cost-of-living sub-committee of Cabinet in the lead up to the 2024 Budget. The sub-committee will be tasked with developing proposals that can alleviate cost-of-living pressure on Canberrans most impacted by energy, education, health and transport costs during a period of high national inflation.

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Minister	Portfolio
Hon Andrew Barr MLA	Chief Minister; Treasurer; Minister for Climate Action; Minister for Trade, Investment and Economic Development; Minister for Tourism
Hon Yvette Berry MLA	Deputy Chief Minister; Minister for Early Childhood Development; Minister for Education and Youth Affairs; Minister for Housing and Suburban Development; Minister for Women; Minister for the Prevention of Domestic and Family Violence; Minister for Sport and Recreation
Hon Mick Gentleman MLA	Minister for Business; Minister for Fire and Emergency Services; Minister for Industrial Relations and Workplace Safety; Minister for Multicultural Affairs; Minister for Police and Crime Prevention
Hon Shane Rattenbury MLA (Leader of the ACT Greens)	Attorney-General; Minister for Consumer Affairs; Minister for Water, Energy and Emissions Reduction; Minister for Gaming
Hon Rachel Stephen-Smith MLA	Minister for Health; Minister for Children, Youth and Family Services; Minister for Disability; Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs
Hon Chris Steel MLA	Minister for Planning; Minister for Skills and Training; Minister for Transport; Special Minister of State



Hon Tara Cheyne MLA	Minister for the Arts, Culture and the Creative Economy; Minister for City Services; Minister for Government Services and Regulatory Reform; Minister for Human Rights
Hon Rebecca Vassarotti MLA (ACT Greens)	Minister for the Environment, Parks and Land Management; Minister for Heritage; Minister for Homelessness and Housing Services; Minister for Sustainable Building and Construction
Hon Emma Davidson MLA (ACT Greens)	Minister for Community Services, Seniors and Veterans; Minister for Corrections and Justice Health; Minister for Mental Health; Minister for Population Health