

## Regional Development Ministers of Western Australia

The Minister for Regional Development was introduced in Sir Charles Court's Liberal Government in 1974.

Ministry	Name	Ministry Title	Assumption of Office Date	Retirement of Office Date
<b>Court (Lib)</b> <b>1974 - 1982</b>	Hon Sir Charles Walter Michael Court, MLA	Premier, Treasurer and Minister Coordinating Economic and <b>Regional Development</b>	8 Apr 1974	18 June 1975
		Premier, Treasurer and Minister Coordinating Economic and <b>Regional Development</b> and Minister for Federal Affairs	18 June 1975	22 Dec 1975
		Premier, Treasurer and Minister Coordinating Economic and <b>Regional Development</b>	22 Dec 1975	25 Jan 1982
<b>O'Connor (Lib)</b> <b>1982 - 1983</b>	Hon Barry John MacKinnon, MLA	Minister for Industrial Development and Commerce, <b>Regional Administration</b> and the North West and Tourism	25 Jan 1982	11 June 1982
		Minister for Industrial, Commercial and <b>Regional Development</b> , and Tourism	11 June 1982	20 Aug 1982
		Minister for Industrial, Commercial and <b>Regional Development</b> , the North-West, and Tourism	20 Aug 1982	25 Feb 1983
<b>Burke (ALP)</b> <b>1983 - 1988</b>	Hon Julian Fletcher Grill, MLA	Minister for Transport, <b>Regional Development</b> , and the North-West with special responsibility for Bunbury 2000	25 Feb 1983	26 Feb 1986
	Hon Jeffrey Phillip Carr, MLA	Minister for Local Government and <b>Regional Development</b>	26 Feb 1986	25 Feb 1988
<b>Dowding (ALP)</b> <b>1988 - 1990</b>	Hon Jeffrey Phillip Carr, MLA	Minister for Mines, Local Government and <b>Regional Development</b>	25 Feb 1988	28 Feb 1989
	Hon Gordon Leslie Hill, MLA	<b>Minister for Regional Development</b> , Fisheries, and Multicultural and Ethnic Affairs	28 Feb 1989	12 Feb 1990

<b>Lawrence (ALP) 1990 - 1993</b>	Hon Pamela Ann Buchanan, MLA	Minister for Works, Services, <b>Regional Development</b> and the Minister assisting the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs	19 Feb 1990	20 Dec 1990
	No Minister stated		20 Dec 1990	16 Feb 1993
<b>Court (Lib) 1993 - 2001</b>	Hon John Henry Cowan, MLA	Deputy Premier, Minister for Commerce and Trade, <b>Regional Development</b> , and Small Business	10 Feb 1995	15 Feb 2001
<b>Gallop (ALP) 2001 - 2006</b>	Hon Thomas Gregory Stephens, MLC	Minister for Housing, Works; Local Government and <b>Regional Development</b> ; Heritage; the Kimberley, Pilbara and Gascoyne and Goldfields Esperance	1 July 2001	27 June 2003
		Minister for Local Government and <b>Regional Development</b> ; Heritage; the Kimberley, Pilbara and Gascoyne; Goldfields-Esperance	27 June 2003	16 Sept 2004
	Hon Ljiljanna Maria Ravlich, MLC	Minister for Local Government and <b>Regional Development</b> ; Heritage; the Kimberley, Pilbara and Gascoyne; Goldfields-Esperance	21 Sept 2004	10 Mar 2005
	Hon John Bowler, MLA	Minister for Local Government and <b>Regional Development</b> , Land Information; Goldfields-Esperance and Great Southern	10 Mar 2005	25 Jan 2006
<b>Carpenter (ALP) 2006 - 2008</b>	Hon John Bowler, MLA	Minister for Local Government and <b>Regional Development</b> , Land Information; Goldfields-Esperance and Great Southern	25 Jan 2006	3 Feb 2006
	Hon Jonathan (Jon) Ford, MLC	Minister for Local Government and <b>Regional Development</b>	3 Feb 2006	13 Dec 2006
		Minister for <b>Regional Development</b>	13 Dec 2006	26 Feb 2008
		Minister for Employment Protection; <b>Regional Development</b> ; Fisheries; the Kimberley, Pilbara and Gascoyne	26 Feb 2008	23 Sept 2008
<b>Barnett (Lib) 2008 - 2013</b>	Hon Brendon John Grylls, MLA (Nationals)	<b>Minister for Regional Development</b> ; Lands; Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development; Minister Assisting the Minister for Transport	23 Sept 2008	28 Apr 2010

<b>Barnett (Lib) 2013 - 2017</b>	Hon Brendon John Grylls, MLA	<b>Minister for Regional Development;</b> Lands; Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development; Minister Assisting the Minister for Transport	28 Apr 2010	14 Dec 2010
		<b>Minister for Regional Development;</b> Lands; Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development	14 Dec 2010	21 Mar 2013
	Hon Donald Terrence Redman, MLA	<b>Minister for Regional Development;</b> Lands; Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development	21 Mar 2013	11 Dec 2013
		<b>Minister for Regional Development;</b> Lands; Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development	11 Dec 2013	31 Mar 2016
<b>McGowan (ALP) 2017 - 2023</b>		<b>Minister for Regional Development;</b> Lands; Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development; Leader of National Party of Australia WA	31 Mar 2016	17 Mar 2017
	Hon Alannah Joan Geraldine MacTiernan, MLC	<b>Minister for Regional Development;</b> Agriculture and Food; Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development, Jobs and Trade	17 Mar 2017	13 Dec 2018
		<b>Minister for Regional Development;</b> Agriculture and Food; Ports; Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development, Jobs and Trade	13 Dec 2018	13 Mar 2021
	Hon Alannah Joan Geraldine MacTiernan, MLC	<b>Minister for Regional Development;</b> Agriculture and Food; Hydrogen Industry	19 Mar 2021	14 Dec 2022
<b>Cook (ALP) 2023 -</b>	Hon Donald (Don) Thomas Punch MLA	<b>Minister for Regional Development;</b> Disability Services; Fisheries; Seniors and Ageing	14 Dec 2022	8 June 2023
	Hon Donald (Don) Thomas Punch MLA	<b>Minister for Regional Development;</b> Disability Services; Fisheries; Seniors and Ageing; Volunteering	8 June 2023	

## Abbreviations

ALP	Australian Labor Party
Govt	Government
LA	Legislative Assembly
LC	Legislative Council
Lib	Liberal
MLA	Member of the Legislative Assembly
MLC	Member of the Legislative Council
Nat	Nationalist
Opp	Opposition

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