

### Small Business Ministers of Western Australia

The Small Business Ministry was first introduced in the Burke Labor Government in 1984. Since then there have been 21 Ministers for Small Business in nine Governments.

Ministry	Name	Ministry Title	Assumption of Office Date	Retirement of Office Date
<b>Burke (ALP) 1983 - 1988</b>	Hon Malcolm John Bryce, MLA	Deputy Premier & Minister for Industrial Development, <b>Small Business</b> Technology, Communication & Defence Liaison	20 Dec 1984	26 Feb 1986
		Deputy Premier & Minister for Industrial Development, <b>Small Business</b> , Defence Liaison Communication & Parliamentary & Electoral Reform	26 Feb 1986	12 May 1986
	Hon Gavan John Troy, MLA	Minister for Transport & <b>Small Business</b>	12 May 1986	25 Feb 1988
<b>Dowding (ALP) 1988 - 1990</b>	Hon Ernest Francis Bridge, MLA	Minister for Water Resources, The North-West, Aboriginal Affairs & <b>Small Business</b>	25 Feb 1988	28 Feb 1989
	Hon Julian Fletcher Grill, MLA	Minister for Economic Development & Trade & Minister for Tourism (The Ministry of Economic Development & Trade incorporated <b>Small Business</b> )	28 Feb 1989	12 Feb 1990
<b>Lawrence (ALP) 1990 - 1993</b>	Hon Jeffrey Phillip Carr, MLA	Minister for Mines, Fuel & energy, Mid-West & <b>Small Business</b>	19 Feb 1990	20 Dec 1990
		<b>Minister for Small Business</b> , Mines, Fisheries & Minister assisting the Minister for Employment, Trade & Investment	7 Sept 1992	16 Feb 1993
<b>Court (Lib) 1993 - 2001</b>	Hon Hendy John Cowan, MLA	Deputy Premier, Minister for Commerce & Trade ( <b>Small Business part of Commerce &amp; Trade</b> )	16 Feb 1993	10 Feb 1995
		Deputy Premier, Minister for Commerce & Trade, Regional Development, & <b>Small Business</b>	10 Feb 1995	16 Feb 2001

<b>Gallop (ALP) 2001 - 2006</b>	Hon Clive Morris Brown, MLA	Minister for State Development; <b>Small Business</b> ; Tourism (until 6 March 2001); & Goldfields-Esperance	16 Feb 2001	1 July 2001
		Minister for State Development; <b>Small Business</b> & Tourism	1 July 2001	27 June 2003
	Hon Robert (Bob) Charles, MLA Kucera	Minister for Tourism, <b>Small Business</b> , Sport & Recreation & Peel & the South-West	27 June 2003	10 Mar 2005
	Hon John Biase D'Orazio, MLA	Minister for Justice; <b>Small Business</b>	10 Mar 2005	25 Jan 2006
<b>Carpenter (ALP) 2006 - 2008</b>	Hon John Biase D'Orazio, MLA	Minister for Justice; <b>Small Business</b>	25 Jan 2006	3 Feb 2006
	Hon Norman (Norm) Richard Marlborough, MLA	<b>Minister for Small Business</b> ; Peel & the South West; Minister Assisting the Minister for Education & Training	3 Feb 2006	9 Nov 2006
	Hon Margaret Mary Quirk, MLA	Minister for Corrective Services; Women's Interests; <b>Small Business</b> ; Minister Assisting the Minister for Federal Affairs	9 Nov 2006	13 Dec 2006
		Minister for Corrective Services; <b>Small Business</b> ; Women's Interests (until 2 March 2007); Minister Assisting the Minister for Federal-State Relations	13 Dec 2006	23 Sept 2008
<b>Barnett (Lib) 2008 - 2017</b>	Hon Troy Raymond Buswell, MLA	Treasurer; Minister for Commerce; Science and Innovation; Housing and Works. <b>(No separate Minister for Small Business. The responsibility was with the Minister for Commerce)</b>	23 Sept 2008	27 Apr 2010
	Hon William (Bill) Richard Marmion, MLA	Minister for Commerce; Science and Innovation; Housing. <b>(No separate Minister for Small Business. The responsibility was with the Minister for Commerce)</b>	28 Apr 2010	14 Dec 2010
	Hon Simon O'Brien, MLC	Minister for Finance; Commerce; <b>Small Business</b>	14 Dec 2010	21 Mar 2013
	Hon Liza Mary Harvey, MLA	Minister for Police; Road Safety; <b>Small Business</b> ; Women's Interests	21 Mar 2013	5 Aug 2013
	Hon Joseph Michael Francis, MLA	Minister for Emergency Services; Corrective Services; <b>Small Business</b> ; Veterans	5 Aug 2013	31 Mar 2016

	Hon Sean Kimberley L'Estrange, MLA	Minister for Mines and Petroleum; <b>Small Business</b>	31 Mar 2016	17 Mar 2017
<b>McGowan (ALP) 2017 - 2023</b>	Hon Paul Papalia, MLA	Minister for Tourism; Racing and Gaming; <b>Small Business</b> ; Defence Issues; Citizenship and Multicultural Affairs	17 Mar 2017	6 Apr 2017
	Hon Paul Papalia, MLA	Minister for Tourism; Racing and Gaming; <b>Small Business</b> ; Defence Issues; Citizenship and Multicultural Interests (minor name change)	6 Apr 2017	13 Mar 2021
	Hon Reece Raymond Whitby, MLA	Minister for Emergency Services; Racing and Gaming; <b>Small Business</b> ; Volunteering	19 Mar 2021	21 Dec 2021
	Hon Donald (Don) Thomas, Punch MLA	Minister for Disability Services; <b>Small Business</b> ; Fisheries; Seniors and Ageing	21 Dec 2021	14 Dec 2022
	Hon Jackie Jarvis, MLC	Minister for Agriculture and Food; Forestry; <b>Small Business</b>	14 Dec 2022	8 June 2023
<b>Cook (ALP) 2023</b>	Hon Jackie Jarvis, MLC	Minister for Agriculture and Food; Forestry; <b>Small Business</b>	8 June 2023	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

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