

Transport Ministry of Western Australia

The Railways Ministry was expanded to include Transport in the Wise Labor Government of 1945 and then the two portfolios were amalgamated in Sir Charles Court's Liberal Government in 1974 - 1982. In 1993 during Richard Court's Liberal Government the State Rail Freight service was sold. The public railway service Westrail and Metro-bus remain the responsibility of the Department of Transport. In Geoff Gallop's Labor Government the Transport portfolio was absorbed into the Department of Planning & Infrastructure becoming the responsibility of Alannah Joan Geraldine MacTiernan. In the Barnett Liberal Government (2008) a Minister responsible for Transport was again created.

Ministry	Name	Ministry Title	Assumption of Office Date	Retirement Of Office Date
Wise (ALP) 1945 - 1947	Hon. Emil Nulsen, MLA	Minister for Justice & Railways	31 July 1945	3 Aug 1945
	Hon. William Mortimer Marshall, MLA	Minister for Mines, Railways & Transport	3 Aug 1945	1 April 1947
McLarty (Lib) 1947 -1953	Hon. Harry Stephen Seward, MLA	Minister for Railways & Transport	1 April 1947	6 April 1950
	Hon. Charles Herbert Simpson, MLC	Minister for Transport, Railways & Mines	6 April 1950	23 Feb 1953
Hawke (ALP) 1953 - 1959	Hon. Herbert Henry Styants, MLA	Minister for Railway, Transport & Police	23 Feb 1953	14 April 1956
	Hon. Harry Charles Strickland, MLA	Minister for Railways , North-West & Supply & Shipping	20 April 1956	13 Nov 1958
		Leader of Govt in LC, Minister for Railways , the North-West & Supply & shipping	13 Nov 1958	2 April 1959
	Hon. Herbert Ernst Graham, MLA (Separated Transport from Railways)	Minister for Transport , Housing, & Forests	20 April 1956	2 April 1959
Brand (Lib) 1959 - 1971	Hon. Charles Collier Perkins, MLA	Minister for Transport , Police Labour & Native Welfare	2 April 1959	16 Nov 1961
	Hon. George Meredith Cornell, MLA	Minister for Transport , Police & Native Welfare	16 Nov 1961	11 April 1962
	Hon. James Frederick Craig, MLA	Minister for Transport , Police	12 April 1962	16 March 1965
	Hon. Charles Walter Michael Court, , MLA OBE	Minister for Industrial Development, Transport , Railways & the North West	16 March 1965	17 Aug 1965
		Minister for Industrial Development, Railways & the North West	17 Aug 1965	16 Feb 1967
	Hon. Raymond James O'Connor, MLA (Honorary Minister for Railways & Transport 16 Feb 1956 - 17 Aug 1965)	Minister for Transport & Railways	16 Feb 1967	3 March 1971

<i>Tonkin (ALP)</i> 1971 - 1974	Hon. Ronald Edward Bertram	Attorney General & Minister for Railways	3 March 1971	12 Oct 1971
	Hon. John Dolan, MLC	Minister for Police and Transport	3 March 1971	12 Oct 1971
	Hon. John Dolan, MLC	Minister for Police Transport & Railways	12 Oct 1971	7 Feb 1973
		Minister for Police Transport & Railways & Leader of the Govt in LC	7 Feb 1973	30 May 1973
		Minister for Education Transport & Railways & Leader of the Govt in LC	30 May 1973	8 April 1974
<i>Court (Lib)</i> 1974 - 1982	Hon. Raymond James O'Connor, MLA	Minister for Transport , Traffic & Police	8 April 1974	1 May 1974
		Minister for Transport , Police, Traffic & Traffic Safety	1 May 1974	5 June 1975
		Minister for Transport , Police & Traffic	5 June 1975	10 March 1977
	Hon. David John Wordsworth, MLC	Minister for Transport	10 March 1977	25 Aug 1978
	Hon. Edgar Cyril Rushton, MLA	Minister for Transport	25 Aug 1978	25 Jan 1982
<i>O'Connor (Lib)</i> 1982 - 1983	Hon. Edgar Cyril Rushton, MLA Deputy Premier	Minister for Transport & Emergency Services	25 Jan 1982	25 Feb 1983
<i>Burke (ALP)</i> 1983 - 1988	Hon. Julian Fletcher Grill, MLA	Minister for Transport , Regional Development, and the North-West with special responsibility for Bunbury 2000.	25 Feb 1983	26 Feb 1986
		Minister for Agriculture, the South - West, Fisheries, Transport & the North West	26 Feb 1986	12 May 1986
	Hon. Gavan John Troy, MLA	Minister for Transport & Small Business	12 May 1986	25 Feb 1988
<i>Dowding (ALP)</i> 1988 - 1990	Hon. Robert John Pearce, MLA	Minister for Transport , Planning, Parliamentary & Electoral Reform, intergovernmental Relations & Leader of the House in the LA	25 Feb 1988	28 Feb 1989
		Minister for Transport , Environment, & Leader of the House in the LA	28 Feb 1989	19 Feb 1990
<i>Lawrence (ALP)</i> 1990 - 1993	Hon. Pamela Anne Beggs, MLA	Minister for Transport , Racing & Gaming & Tourism	19 Feb 1990	16 Feb 1993
<i>Court (Lib)</i> 1993 - 2001	Hon. Eric James Charlton, MLC	Minister for Transport	16 Feb 1993	28 July 1998
	Hon. Murray James Criddle, MLC	Minister for Transport	28 July 1998	16 Feb 2001

Gallop (ALP) 2001 - 2006	Hon. Alannah Joan Geraldine MacTiernan, MLA	Minister for Planning & Infrastructure - Includes Transport	16 Feb 2001	25 Jan 2006
Carpenter (ALP) 2006 - 2008	Hon. Alannah Joan Geraldine MacTiernan, MLA	Minister for Planning & Infrastructure - Includes Transport	25 Jan 2006	23 Sept 2008
Barnett (Lib)	Hon. Simon O'Brien, MLC	Minister for Transport ; Disability Services	23 Sept 2008	28 Apr 2010
		Minister for Transport ; Disability Services	28 Apr 2010	14 Dec 2010
	Hon. Troy Raymond Buswell, MLA	Minister for Transport ; Housing	14 Dec 2010	05 Dec 2011
		Minister for Housing; Transport and Emergency Services	05 Dec 2011	29 June 2012
		Treasurer, Minister for Transport and Emergency Services	29 June 2012	21 March 2013
Barnett (Lib) 2013	Hon Troy Raymond Buswell, MLA	Treasurer, Minister for Transport ; Fisheries	21 March 2013	10 March 2014
	Hon Colin James Barnett, MLA	Premier, Treasurer, Minister for Transport ; State Development; Science	10 March 2014	17 March 2014
	Hon Dean Cambell Nalder, MLA	Minister for Transport ; Finance	17 March 2014	31 March 2016
		Minister for Agriculture and Food; Transport	31 March 2016	20 September 2016
	Hon William (Bill) Richard Marmion, MLA	Minister for State Development; Transport ; Innovation	23 September 2016	17 March 2017
McGowan (ALP) 2017	Hon Rita Saffioti, MLA	Minister for Transport ; Planning; Lands	17 March 2017	

Abbreviations

ALP	Australian Labor Party
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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