

Energy Ministers of Western Australia

The First Minister for Electricity was Arthur Frederick Watts in the Brand Liberal Government in 1959.

Ministry	Name	Ministry Title	Assumption of Office Date	Retirement of Office Date
Brand (Lib) 1959 - 1971	Hon Arthur Frederick Watts, MLA, CMG	Deputy Premier, Minister for Education and Electricity and Attorney General	2 Apr 1959	31 Jan 1962
	Hon Edgar Henry Mead Lewis, MLA	Minister for Education and Electricity	1 Feb 1962	11 Apr 1962
	Hon Crawford David Nalder, MLA	Deputy Premier, Minister for Agriculture and Electricity	12 Apr 1962	3 Mar 1971
Tonkin (ALP) 1971 - 1974	Hon Colin John Jamieson, MLA	Minister for Works, Water Supplies and Electricity	3 Mar 1971	12 Oct 1971
	Hon Donald George May, MLA	Minister for Mines and Electricity	12 Oct 1971	6 July 1972
	Hon Arthur William Bickerton, MLA	Minister for Housing and Fuels	12 Oct 1971	6 July 1972
	Hon Donald George May, MLA	Minister for Mines, Electricity and Fuel	6 July 1972	8 Apr 1974
Court (Lib) 1974 - 1982	Hon Andrew Mensaros, MLA	Minister for Industrial Development, Mines and Fuels and Energy	8 Apr 1974	1 May 1974
		Minister for Industrial and Development, Mines Electricity, Fuels and Energy	1 May 1974	5 June 1975
		Minister for Industrial Development, Mines and Fuels and Energy	5 June 1975	12 Feb 1981
	Hon Peter Vernon Jones, MLA	Minister for Resources Development, Mines, Fuel and Energy, Housing, Regional Administration and the North-west, Tourism and Industrial Development and Commerce	12 Feb 1981	25 Jan 1982

O'Connor (Lib) 1982 - 1983	Hon Peter Vernon Jones, MLA	Minister for Resources Development, Mines, Fuel and Energy	25 Jan 1982	25 Feb 1983
Burke (ALP) 1983 - 1988	Hon Peter M'Callum Dowding, (MLC until 1986)	Minister for Mines, and Fuel and Energy	25 Feb 1983	23 Dec 1983
	Hon David Charles Parker, MLA	Minister for Minerals and Energy, and Minister assisting the Minister Co-ordinating Economic and Social Development	23 Dec 1983	26 Feb 1986
		Minister for Minerals and Energy, Arts and Minister assisting the Minister Co-ordinating Economic and Social Development	26 Feb 1986	16 Mar 1987
		Minister for Minerals and Energy , Economic Development and Arts	16 Mar 1987	25 Feb 1988
Dowding (ALP) 1988 - 1990	Hon Jeffery Phillip Carr, MLA	Minister for Mines, Fuel and Energy and the Mid-West	28 Feb 1989	12 Feb 1990
Lawrence (ALP) 1990 - 1993	Hon Jeffery Phillip Carr, MLA	Minister for Mines, Fuel and Energy and the Mid-West and Small Business	12 Feb 1990	20 Dec 1990
		Minister for Mines, Fuel and Energy and the Mid-West	20 Dec 1990	5 Feb 1991
	Hon Geoffrey Ian Gallop, MLA	Minister for Fuel and Energy, Micro-Economic Reform, Parliamentary and Electoral Reform and Minister assisting the Treasurer	5 Feb 1991	16 Feb 1993
Court (Lib) 1993 - 2001	Hon Colin James Barnett, MLA	Minister for Resources Development, Energy , and Leader of the House in the Legislative Assembly	16 Feb 1993	25 Aug 1993
		Minister for Resources Development, Energy , Tourism, and Leader of the House in the Legislative Assembly	25 Aug 1993	25 Jan 1994
		Minister for Resources Development, Energy , and Leader of the House in the Legislative Assembly	25 Jan 1994	21 Dec 1995

		Minister for Resources Development, Energy , Education and Leader of the House in the Legislative Assembly	21 Dec 1995	16 Feb 2001
Gallop (ALP) 2001 - 2006	Hon Eric Stephen Ripper, MLA	Deputy Premier; Treasurer; Minister for Energy	16 Feb 2001	10 Mar 2005
	Hon Alan John Carpenter, MLA	Minister for State Development; Energy	10 Mar 2005	25 Jan 2006
Carpenter (ALP) 2006 - 2008	Hon Alan John Carpenter, MLA	Premier; Minister for Public Sector Management; Water Resources; Federal Affairs; State Development; Energy	25 Jan 2006	3 Feb 2006
	Hon Francis (Fran) Michael Logan, MLA	Minister for Energy; Science and Innovation	3 Feb 2006	13 Dec 2006
		Minister for Energy; Resources; Industry and Enterprise	13 Dec 2006	23 Sept 2008
Barnett (Lib) 2008 - 2017	Hon Peter Charles Collier, MLC	Minister for Energy; Training	23 Sept 2008	28 Apr 2010
		Minister for Energy ; Training and Workforce Development	28 Apr 2010	14 Dec 2010
		Minister for Energy ; Training and Workforce Development; Indigenous Affairs	14 Dec 2010	29 June 2012
		Minister for Education, Energy and Indigenous Affairs	29 June 2012	21 Mar 2013
	Hon Dr Michael Dennis Nahan, MLA	Minister for Energy; Finance; Citizenship and Multicultural Interests	21 Mar 2013	17 Mar 2014
		Treasurer, Minister for Energy ; Citizenship and Multicultural Interests	17 Mar 2014	17 Mar 2017
McGowan (ALP) 2017 - 2023	Hon Benjamin Sana Wyatt, MLA	Treasurer; Minister for Finance; Energy; Aboriginal Affairs	17 Mar 2017	13 Dec 2018
	Hon William (Bill) Joseph Johnston, MLA	Minister for Mines and Petroleum; Energy; Industrial Relations	13 Dec 2018	13 Mar 2021
	Hon William (Bill) Joseph Johnston, MLA	Minister for Mines and Petroleum; Energy; Corrective Services	19 Mar 2021	21 Dec 2021

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Energy; Corrective Services;

Industrial Relations

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Minister for Mines and Petroleum;

Energy; Hydrogen Industry;

Industrial Relations

Hon Reece Raymond Whitby, MLA

Minister for **Energy**; Environment; Climate Action

8 Dec 2023

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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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