

State Development Ministers of Western Australia

There have been 25 Ministers representing the portfolio of Industries, Industrial Development or State Development in 22 different Governments, since the establishment of the Ministry for Industries in the Lefroy Liberal Government in 1917.

| Ministry | Name | Ministry Title | Assumption of Office Date | Retirement Of Office Date |
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| Lefroy (Lib) 1917 - 1919 | Hon Robert Thomson Robinson, MLA | Attorney General and Minister for Industries , and Woods and Forests | 28 June 1917 | 17 Apr 1919 |
| Colbatch (Lib) 1919 - 1919 | Hon Robert Thomson Robinson, MLA | Attorney General & Minister for Mines, Industries , and Forests | 17 Apr 1919 | 17 May 1919 |
| Mitchell (Nat) 1919 - 1924 | Hon Robert Thomson Robinson, MLA | Minister for Mines, Industries , and Forests | 17 May 1919 | 21 June 1919 |
| | Hon John Scaddan, MLA | Minister for Police, Industries and Forests | 25 June 1919 | 24 Mar 1924 |
| Collier (ALP) 1924 - 1930 | Hon William Charles Angwin, MLA | Minister for Lands, Immigration, and Industries | 16 Apr 1924 | 30 Apr 1927 |
| N | lo Minister for Industries or Indust | trial Development in the Mitchell Gover | nment, 1930 – 19 | 933 |
| Collier (ALP) 1933 - 1936 | Hon James Joseph Kenneally, MLA | Minister for Employment, Child Welfare and Industrial Development | 24 Apr 1933 | 26 Mar 1935 |
| Willcock (ALP) 1936 - 1945 | Hon Albert Redvers George Hawke, MLA | Minister for Labour and Industrial Development | 18 Apr 1939 | 9 Dec 1943 |
| | | Minister for Works, Water Supplies and Industrial Development | 9 Dec 1943 | 31 July 1945 |
| Wise (ALP) 1945 - 1947 | Hon Albert Redvers George Hawke, MLA | Minister for Works, Water Supplies and Industrial Development | 31 July 1945 | 1 Apr 1947 |
| McLarty (Lib) 1947 -1953 | Hon Arthur Frederick Watts, CMG | Minister for Education, local Government and Industrial Development | 1 Apr 1947 | 7 Oct 1949 |

| | | Minister for Education, Industrial Development and Housing | 7 Oct 1949 | 6 April 1950 |
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| | | Minister for Education, Child Welfare, and Industrial Development | 6 Apr 1950 | 23 Feb 1953 |
| Hawke (ALP) 1953 - 1959 | Hon Albert Redvers George Hawke, MLA | Premier, Treasurer and Minister for Child Welfare and Industrial Development | 23 Feb 1953 | 13 May 1954 |
| | Hon Lionel Francis Kelly, MLA | Minister for Mines, and Industrial Development and Fishing | 13 May 1954 | 19 Dec 1957 |
| | Hon Albert Redvers George Hawke, MLA | Premier, Treasurer and Minister for Child Welfare and Industrial Development | 19 Dec 1957 | 13 Nov 1958 |
| | Hon Frank Joseph Scott Wise, MLA | Minister for Industrial Development, Local Government and Town Planning | 13 Nov 1958 | 2 Apr 1959 |
| Brand (Lib) 1959 - 1971 | Hon Charles Walter Michael Court, MLA | Minister for Industrial Development, Railways, and the North West | 2 Apr 1959 | 16 Mar 1965 |
| | | Minister for Industrial Development, Transport, Railways, and the North-West | 16 Mar 1965 | 17 Aug 1965 |
| | | Minister for Industrial Development, Railways, and the North West | 17 Aug 1965 | 16 Feb 1967 |
| | | Minister for Industrial Development and the North-West | 16 Feb 1967 | 3 Mar 1971 |
| Tonkin (ALP) 1971 - 1974 | Hon Herbert Ernst Graham, MLA | Deputy Premier and Minister for Industrial Development and Decentralisation and Town Planning | 3 Mar 1971 | 12 Oct 1971 |
| | | Deputy Premier and Minister for Development and Decentralisation, Town Planning and the North West | 12 Oct 1971 | 6 July 1972 |
| | | Deputy Premier and Minister for Development and Decentralisation& the North West | 6 July 1972 | 30 May 1973 |
| Court (Lib) 1974 - 1982 | Hon Andrew Mensaros, MLA | Minister for Industrial Development , Mines, and Fuel and Energy | 8 Apr 1974 | 1 May 1974 |

| | | Minister for Industrial Development , Mines, Electricity and Fuel and Energy | 1 May 1974 | 5 June 1975 |
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| | | Minister for Industrial Development , Mines, and Fuel and Energy | 5 June 1975 | 5 Mar 1980 |
| | Hon Peter Vernon Jones, MLA | Minister for Mines Fuel, and Energy and Industrial Development and Commerce | 5 Mar 1980 | 12 Feb 1981 |
| | | Minister for 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 Barry John MacKinnon, MLA | Minister for Industrial Development and Commerce, Regional Administration and the North-West and Tourism | 25 Jan 1982 | 11 June 1982 |
| | | Minister for Industrial, Commercial and Regional Development, and the North-West and Tourism | 11 June 1982 | 16 Aug 1982 |
| | | Minister for Industrial, Commercial and Regional Development, and the North-West and Tourism | 16 Aug 1982 | 25 Feb 1983 |
| Burke (ALP) 1983 - 1988 | Hon Malcolm John Bryce, MLA | Deputy Premier and Minister for Industrial Developmen t, Technology and Defence Liaison | 23 Dec 1983 | 20 Dec 1984 |
| | | Deputy Premier and Minister for Industrial Development , Small Business Technology | 20 Dec 1984 | 26 Feb 1986 |
| | | Deputy Premier and Minister for Industry and Technology, Small Business Defence Liaison, Communications and Parliamentary and Electoral Reform | 26 Feb 1986 | 12 May 1986 |
| | | Deputy Premier and Minister for Industry and Technology, Liaison, Communications and Parliamentary and Electoral Reform | 12 May 1986 | 25 Feb 1988 |
| Dowding (ALP) 1988 - 1990 | Hon David Charles Parker, MLA | Deputy Premier, Minister for Economic Development & Trade (Amalgamation of departments and name change) | 25 Feb 1988 | 28 Feb 1989 |

| | Hon Julian Fletcher Grill, MLA | Minister for Economic Development and Trade, and Minister for Tourism (Amalgamation of departments and name change | 28 Feb 1989 | 12 Feb 1990 |
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| Lawrence (ALP) 1990 - 1993 | Hon Ian Frederick Taylor, MLA | Deputy Premier, Minister for Finance and Economic Development, Trade and Goldfields | 19 Feb 1990 | 20 Dec 1990 |
| | | Deputy Premier, Minister for State Development , and Goldfields (Department name changed to State Development) | 20 Dec 1990 | 7 Sept 1992 |
| | | Deputy Premier, Minister for Health, State Development , Goldfields and Mid-West | 7 Sept 1992 | 16 Feb 1993 |
| Court (Lib) 1993 - 2001 | Hon Hendy John Cowan, MLA | Deputy Premier, and Minister for Commerce and Trade (Department name changed to Commerce and Trade) | 16 Feb 1993 | 10 Feb 1995 |
| | | Deputy Premier, and Minister for Commerce and Trade , Regional Development, and Small Business | 10 Feb 1995 | 16 Feb 2001 |
| Gallop (ALP) 2001 - 2006 | Hon Clive Morris Brown, MLA | Minister for State Development ; Small Business; Tourism (from 6 March 2001) and Goldfields- Esperance (Department name changed back to State Development) | 16 Feb 2001 | 1 July 2001 |
| | | Minister for State Development , Tourism and Small Business | 1 July 2001 | 27 June 2003 |
| | | Minister for State Development; Energy | 27 June 2003 | 10 Mar 2005 |
| | Hon Alan John Carpenter, MLA | Minister for State Development; Energy | 10 Mar 2005 | 25 Feb 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 |
| | | Premier; Minister for Public Sector Management; State Development ; Federal Affairs | 3 Feb 2006 | 13 Dec 2006 |

| | Hon Eric Stephen Ripper, MLA | Deputy Premier; Treasurer; Minister for State Development | 13 Dec 2006 | 23 Sept 2008 |
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| Barnett (Lib) 2008 - 2017 | Hon Colin James Barnett, MLA | Premier; Minister for State Development | 23 Sept 2008 | 27 Apr 2010 |
| | | Premier, Treasurer, Minister for State Development | 28 Apr 2010 | 14 Dec 2010 |
| | | Premier, Minister for State Development | 14 Dec 2010 | 12 June 2012 |
| | | Premier, Treasurer, Minister for State Development | 12 June 2012 | 29 June 2012 |
| | | Premier, Minister for State Development | 29 June 2012 | 21 Mar 2013 |
| | Hon Colin James Barnett, MLA | Premier, Minister for State Development ; Science | 21 Mar 2013 | 31 Mar 2016 |
| | Hon William (Bill) Richard Marmion, MLA | Minister for State Development; Finance | 31 Mar 2016 | 17 Mar 2017 |
| McGowan (ALP) 2017 - 2023 | Hon Mark McGowan, MLA | Premier; Minister for Public Sector Management; State Development , Jobs and Trade ; Federal-State Relations | 17 Mar 2017 | 13 Mar 2021 |
| | Hon Roger Hugh Cook, MLA | Deputy Premier; Minister for Health; Medical Research; State Development, Jobs and Trade; Science | 19 Mar 2021 | 21 Dec 2021 |
| | | Deputy Premier; Minister for State Development , Jobs and Trade; Tourism; Commerce; Science | 21 Dec 2021 | 14 Dec 2022 |
| | | Deputy Premier; Minister for State Development , Jobs and Trade; Tourism; Commerce; Science | 14 Dec 2022 | 8 June 2023 |
| Cook (ALP) 2023 | Hon Roger Hugh Cook, MLA | Premier; Minister for State and Industry Development, Jobs and Trade; Public Sector Management; Federal-State Relations | 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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