

### Forests Ministry of Western Australia

The first Forests Ministry was in the Lefroy Government of 1917. Since then there have been 18 Ministers for Forests in 21 different Governments.

Ministry	Name	Ministry Title	Assumption of Office Date	Retirement Of Office Date
<b>Lefroy (Lib) 1917 - 1919</b>	Robert Thomson Robinson, KC	Attorney General, & Minister for Industries, & <b>Woods &amp; Forests</b>	28 June 1917	17 April 1919
<b>Colebatch (Lib) 1919</b>	Robert Thomson Robinson, KC	Attorney General, & Minister for Mines, Industries & <b>Forests</b>	17 April 1919	17 May 1919
<b>Mitchell (Nat) 1919 -1924</b>	Robert Thomson Robinson, KC	Minister for Mines Industries & <b>Forests</b>	17 May 1919	21 June 1919
<b>No Minister for Forests in the Collier Government (ALP) 1924 – 1930</b>				
<b>Mitchell (Nat) 1930 - 1933</b>	John Scaddan, CMG	Minister for Railways, Mines, Police, <b>Forests</b> & Industry	24 April 1930	24 April 1933
<b>No Minister for Forests in the Collier Government (ALP) 1933 – 1936</b>				
<b>Willcock (ALP) 1936 - 1945</b>	John Collings Willcock	Premier, Treasurer, & Minister for <b>Forests</b>	20 Aug 1936	9 Dec 1943
<b>No Minister for Forests in the Wise Government( ALP) 1945 – 1947</b>				
<b>McLarty (Lib) 1947 -1953</b>	Sir Duncan Ross McLarty, KBE, MM	Premier, Treasurer, Minister for Housing, <b>Forests</b> & North-West	1 April 1947	5 Jan 1948
	Robert Ross McDonald, KC	Minister for Housing, <b>Forests</b> & Native Affairs	5 Jan 1948	7 Oct 1949
	Duncan Ross McLarty	Premier, Treasurer, <b>Minister for Forests</b> & North-West	7 Oct 1949	24 Oct 1950
	Gerald Percy Wild, MBE	Minister for Housing, Mines & <b>Forests</b>	24 Oct 1950	23 Feb 1953
<b>Hawke (ALP) 1953 - 1959</b>	Herbert Ernst Graham	Minister for Housing & <b>Forests</b>	23 Feb 1953	20 April 1956
		Minister for Transport, Housing & <b>Forests</b>	20 April 1956	2 April 1959
<b>Brand (Lib) 1959 - 1971</b>	William Stewart Bovell	Minister for Lands, <b>Forests</b> & Immigration	2 April 1959	16 Nov 1961
		Minister for Lands, <b>Forests</b> , Labour & Immigration	16 Nov 1961	11 April 1962

		Minister for Lands, <b>Forests</b> & Immigration	12 April 1962	3 March 1971
<b>Tonkin (ALP) 1971 - 1974</b>	Thomas Daniel Evans	Treasurer & <b>Minister for Forests</b> & Tourism	3 March 1971	12 Oct 1971
	Hywel David Evans	Minister for Lands, Agriculture, Immigration & <b>Forests</b>	12 Oct 1971	7 Feb 1973
		Minister for Lands, Agriculture, & <b>Forests</b>	7 Feb 1973	8 April 1974
<b>Court (Lib) 1974 - 1982</b>	Keith Alan Ridge	Minister for Lands, <b>Forests</b> & North West	8 April 1974	5 June 1975
		Minister for Lands, <b>Forests</b> & Tourism	5 June 1975	10 March 1977
	Margaret June Craig	Minister for Lands & <b>Forests</b>	10 March 1977	25 Aug 1978
	David John Wordsworth, MLC	Minister for Lands & <b>Forests</b>	25 Aug 1978	25 Jan 1982
<b>O'Connor (Lib) 1982 - 1983</b>	Ian James Laurance	Minister for Lands, <b>Forests</b> & Conservation and the Environment	25 Jan 1982	25 Feb 1983
<b>Burke (ALP) 1983 - 1988</b>	Brian Thomas Burke	Premier & Cabinet, Treasurer, Minister Coordinating Economic & Social Development & Minister for <b>Forests</b> , Tourism & Women's Interests	25 Feb 1983	20 Dec 1984
	Hywell David Evans	Minister for Agriculture, & Fisheries & Wildlife & Minister assisting the Minister for <b>Forests</b>	23 March 1983	20 Dec 1984
		Minister for Agriculture, & Fisheries & Minister assisting the Minister for <b>Forests</b>	20 Dec 1984	21 March 1985
<b>No Minister for Forests in the Dowding (ALP 1988 - 1990) &amp; Lawrence (ALP 1990 - 1993) Governments</b>				
<b>Court (Lib) 1993 - 2001</b>	Montague Grant House (No separate Forests Ministry)	Minister for Primary Industries & Fisheries	16 Feb 1993	16 Feb 2001
<b>Gallop (ALP) 2001 - 2006</b>	Kimberley Maurice Chance, MLC	Minister for Agriculture, <b>Forestry</b> & Fisheries; the Mid-West, Wheatbelt & Great Southern & Minister for Local Government & Regional Development; Heritage; the Kimberley, Pilbara & Gascoyne; & Goldfields & Esperance & Leader of the House in the Legislative Council	16 Feb 2001	21 Sept 2004
		Minister for Agriculture, <b>Forestry</b> & Fisheries; the Mid-West, Wheatbelt & Great Southern & Leader of the House in the Legislative Council	21 Sept 2004	10 March 2005

Minister for Agriculture, **Forestry** & the Mid-West, & Wheatbelt & Leader of the House in the Legislative Council 10 March 2005 25 Jan 2006

<b>Carpenter (ALP) 2006 - 2008</b>	Kimberley Maurice Chance, MLC	Minister for Agriculture & Food, Minister for <b>Forestry</b> & Leader of the House in the Legislative Council	3 February 2006	2 March 2007
		Minister for Agriculture & Food, Minister for <b>Forestry</b> & Minister for Great Southern & Leader of the House in the Legislative Council	2 March 2007	23 Sept 2008
<b>Barnett (Lib) 2008</b>	Donald Terrence (Terry) Redman (Nationals)	Minister for Agriculture and Food; <b>Forestry</b> ; Minister Assisting the Minister for Education	23 Sept 2008	28 Apr 2010
		Minister for Agriculture and Food; <b>Forestry</b> ; Minister Assisting the Minister for Education	28 Apr 2010	14 Dec 2010
		Minister for Agriculture and Food; <b>Forestry</b> ; Corrective Services	14 Dec 2010	29 June 2012
		Minister for Agriculture and Food; <b>Forestry</b> ; Housing	29 June 2012	21 March 2013
<b>Barnett (Lib) 2013</b>	Hon Donald Terrence Redman MLA	Minister for Training and Workforce Development; Water; <b>Forestry</b>	21 March 2013	11 Dec 2013
	Hon Mia Jane Davies MLA	Minister for Water; <b>Forestry</b>	11 Dec 2013	

## 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

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