

# Senate Office Holders & Ministerial Representation in the Senate

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## Senate Office Holders

*President:* Senator the Hon. Scott Ryan

*Deputy President and Chair of Committees:* Senator Sue Lines

*Temporary Chairs of Committees:*

Senators Bernardi, Fawcett, Gallacher, Ketter, Kitching, Leyonhjelm, Marshall, McCarthy, O'Sullivan, Reynolds, Sterle, Whish-Wilson, Williams

*Leader of the Government in the Senate:* Senator the Hon. Mathias Cormann

*Deputy Leader of the Government in the Senate:* Senator the Hon. Mitch Fifield

*Manager of Government Business in the Senate:* Senator the Hon. Simon Birmingham

*Leader of the Opposition in the Senate:* Senator the Hon. Penelope (Penny) Wong

*Deputy Leader of the Opposition in the Senate:* Senator the Hon. Don Farrell

*Manager of Opposition Business in the Senate:* Senator the Hon. Jacinta Collins

## Ministerial Representation

### Ministers Representing

Senator the Hon. Mathias Cormann <i>Minister for Finance</i> <i>Special Minister of State</i> <i>Vice-President of the Executive Council</i> <i>(Leader of the Government in the Senate)</i>	Prime Minister Treasurer Minister for Revenue and Financial Services
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Senator the Hon. Mitchell (Mitch) Fifield <i>Minister for Communications</i> <i>Minister for the Arts</i> <i>(Deputy Leader of the Government in the Senate)</i>	Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Digital Transformation Minister for Home Affairs Minister for Immigration and Border Protection Minister for Citizenship and Multicultural Affairs Minister for Law Enforcement and Cybersecurity
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Senator the Hon. Nigel Scullion <i>Minister for Indigenous Affairs</i>	Deputy Prime Minister Minister for Infrastructure and Transport Acting Minister for Regional Development, Territories and Local Government Minister for Urban Infrastructure and Cities
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Senator the Hon. Marise Payne <i>Minister for Defence</i>	Minister for Foreign Affairs Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment Minister for Defence Industry Minister for Veterans' Affairs Minister for Defence Personnel Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Centenary of ANZAC
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Senator the Hon. Michaelia Cash <i>Minister for Jobs and Innovation</i>	Minister for Women Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Public Service Attorney-General Minister for Small and Family Business, the Workplace and Deregulation
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Senator the Hon. Simon Birmingham <i>Minister for Education and Training</i> <i>(Manager of Government Business in the Senate)</i>	Minister for Environment and Energy
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Senator the Hon. Concetta Fierravanti-Wells <i>Minister for International Development and the Pacific</i>	Minister for Social Services Minister for Human Services
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Senator the Hon. Matt Canavan <i>Minister for Resources and Northern Australia</i>	Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources
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Senator the Hon. Bridget McKenzie <i>Minister for Regional Communications</i> <i>Minister for Rural Health</i> <i>Minister for Sport</i>	Minister for Health Minister for Aged Care Minister for Indigenous Health
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### Assistant Ministers – Designated as Parliamentary Secretaries under the Ministers of State Act 1952

Senator the Hon. Anne Ruston <i>Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources</i>	
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Senator the Hon. James McGrath <i>Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister</i>	
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Senator the Hon. Zed Seselja <i>Assistant Minister for Science, Jobs and Innovation</i>	
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## Senate Party Leaders

*Leader of the Liberal Party:* Senator the Hon. Mathias Cormann

*Leader of the Australian Labor Party:* Senator the Hon. Penelope (Penny) Wong

*Leader of The Nationals:* Senator the Hon. Nigel Scullion

*Leader of the Australian Greens:* Senator Di Natale

*Leader of the Derryn Hinch's Justice Party:* Senator Derryn Hinch

## Whips

*Chief Government:* Senator David Bushby

*Deputy Government:* Senators David Fawcett and Dean Smith

*Chief Opposition:* Senator Anne Urquhart

*Deputy Opposition:* Senators Chris Ketter and Jenny McAllister

*The Nationals:* Senator John Williams

*Australian Greens:* Senator Rachel Siewert

*Derryn Hinch's Justice Party:* Senator Derryn Hinch

## Officers of the Senate

Clerk of the Senate	Mr Richard Pye
Deputy Clerk of the Senate	Ms Maureen Weeks
Clerk Assistant (Committees)	Mr Tim Bryant
Clerk Assistant (Procedure)	Ms Jackie Morris
Clerk Assistant (Table)	Ms Rachel Callinan
Usher of the Black Rod	Mr Brien Hallett

## Senators in the Chamber

If the Senators of your State or Territory are not present in the Chamber while the Senate is sitting, it is likely that they are listening to the debate in their offices or attending to their parliamentary work elsewhere in the building.

Duty rosters are drawn up for seats occupied by the President, Chairman of Committees, Ministers, Shadow Ministers and Whips, so that at all times when the Senate is sitting there are Senators 'on duty' in these positions to ensure that the business of the Senate proceeds.

## State and Party Representation in the Senate

State or Territory	AG	ALP	LDP	LP	NATS/CLP	NXT	DHJP	PHON	AC	IND	TOTAL
ACT	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
NSW	1	4	1	4	1	..	..	1	..	..	12
NT	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2
Qld*	1	4	..	4	..	..	..	1	..	1	11
SA	1	3	..	4	..	3	..	..	1	..	12
Tas	2	5	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	1	12
Vic	2	4	..	4	1	..	1	..	..	..	12
WA	2	4	..	5	..	..	..	1	..	..	12
	9	26	1	26	3	3	1	3	1	2	75

\* 1 Vacancy