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SPICe

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# SPICe Fact Sheet

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### Current Ministers and Law Officers

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The Scottish Government is made up of Cabinet Secretaries and Ministers, who are MSPs chosen by the First Minister. It also includes 2 Law Officers (the Lord Advocate and the Solicitor General for Scotland) who do not need to be MSPs.

This Fact Sheet lists all current Scottish Ministers and Law Officers

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| Party                                    | Abbreviation |
|--|--------------|
| Alba Party                               | Alba         |
| Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party | Con          |
| Scottish Green Party                     | Green        |
| Scottish Labour                          | Lab          |
| Scottish Liberal Democrats               | LD           |
| Scottish National Party                  | SNP          |
| Independent MSPs                         | Ind          |
| No Party Affiliation                     | NPA          |
| King's Counsel                           | KC           |

## Ministers

### First Minister

John Swinney (SNP)

### Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Economy and Gaelic

Kate Forbes (SNP)

### Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government

Shona Robison (SNP)

### Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills

Jenny Gilruth (SNP)

### Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Home Affairs

Angela Constance (SNP)

### Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice

Shirley-Anne Somerville (SNP)

### Cabinet Secretary for Transport

Fiona Hyslop (SNP)

### Cabinet Secretary for Housing

Mairi McAllan (SNP)

### Cabinet Secretary for Climate Action and Energy

Gillian Martin (SNP)

### Cabinet Secretary for Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands

Mairi Gougeon (SNP)

### Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care

Neil Gray (SNP)

### Cabinet Secretary for Constitution, External Affairs and Culture

Angus Robertson (SNP)

**Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans**

Graeme Dey (SNP)

**Minister for Drugs and Alcohol Policy and Sport**

Maree Todd (SNP)

**Minister for Public Finance**

Ivan McKee (SNP)

**Minister for Public Health and Women's Health**

Jenni Minto (SNP)

**Minister for Social Care and Mental Wellbeing**

Tom Arthur (SNP)

**Minister for Children, Young People and The Promise**

Natalie Don-Innes (SNP)

**Minister for Higher and Further Education**

Ben Macpherson (SNP)

**Minister for Agriculture and Connectivity**

Jim Fairlie (SNP)

**Minister for Equalities**

Kaukab Stewart (SNP)

**Minister for Business and Employment**

Richard Lochhead (SNP)

**Minister for Victims and Community Safety**

Siobhian Brown (SNP)

**Law Officers**

**Lord Advocate**

Rt Hon Dorothy Bain KC

**Solicitor General for Scotland**

Ruth Charteris KC

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