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- Chancellor of the Exchequer The Rt Hon George Osborne MP
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- Minister of State The Rt Hon Nick Herbert MP (jointly with the Home Office)
- Parliamentary Under Secretary of State Crispin Blunt MP
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Home Office

- Secretary of State for the Home Department; and Minister for Women and Equalities The Rt Hon Theresa May MP
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- Parliamentary under Secretary of State Peter Luff MP
- Parliamentary under Secretary of State Lord Astor of Hever DL‡

Department for Business, Innovation and Skills

- Secretary of State for Business, Innovation and Skills, and President of the Board of Trade The Rt Hon Dr Vincent Cable MP
- Minister of State (Minister for Universities and Science) The Rt Hon David Willetts MP**
- Minister of State John Hayes MP (jointly with the Department for Education)
- Minister of State Mark Prisk MP
- Minister of State (Trade and Investment) Lord Green of Hurstpierpoint (jointly with the Foreign and Commonwealth Office)*
- Parliamentary Under Secretary of State Edward Davey MP
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- Minister of State The Rt Hon Chris Grayling MP
- Minister of State Steve Webb MP
- Parliamentary Under Secretary of State Maria Miller MP
- Parliamentary Under Secretary of State (Minister for Welfare Reform) Lord Freud*

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- Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change The Rt Hon Chris Huhne MP
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- Secretary of State for Health The Rt Hon Andrew Lansley CBE MP
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- Secretary of State for Education The Rt Hon Michael Gove MP
- Minister of State Sarah Teather MP
- Minister of State Nick Gibb MP
- Parliamentary Under Secretary of State Tim Loughton MP
- Parliamentary Under Secretary of State Lord Hill of Oareford

Department for Communities and Local Government

- Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government The Rt Hon Eric Pickles MP
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- Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs The Rt Hon Caroline Spelman MP
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- Secretary of State for Culture, Olympics, Media and Sport The Rt Hon Jeremy Hunt MP
- Parliamentary Under Secretary of State John Penrose MP
- Parliamentary Under Secretary of State Hugh Robertson MP
- Parliamentary Under Secretary of State The Hon Ed Vaizey MP

Northern Ireland Office

- Secretary of State for Northern Ireland The Rt Hon Owen Paterson MP
- Minister of State The Rt Hon Hugo Swire MP

Scotland Office

- Secretary of State for Scotland The Rt Hon Michael Moore MP
- Parliamentary Under Secretary of State The Rt Hon David Mundell MP

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- Secretary of State for Wales The Rt Hon Cheryl Gillan MP
- Parliamentary Under Secretary of State David Jones MP

Minister without Portfolio (Minister of State)

The Rt Hon Baroness Warsi*

Office of the Leader of the House of Lords

• Leader of the House of Lords, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster - The Rt Hon Lord Strathclyde

Office of the Leader of the Commons

- Leader of the House of Commons, Lord Privy Seal The Rt Hon Sir George Young Bt MP**
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Cabinet Office

- Minister for the Cabinet Office, Paymaster General The Rt Hon Francis Maude MP**
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- Parliamentary Secretary Nick Hurd MP

Law Officers

- Attorney General The Rt Hon Dominic Grieve QC MP***
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- Advocate General for Scotland The Rt Hon Lord Wallace of Tankerness QC

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- Deputy Chief Whip (Treasurer of HM Household) The Rt Hon John Randall MP
- Deputy Chief Whip (Comptroller of HM Household) The Rt Hon Alistair Carmichael MP
- Government Whip (Vice Chamberlain of HM Household) The Rt Hon Mark Francois MP

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- Government Whip (Lord Commissioner of HM Treasury) Michael Fabricant MP
- Government Whip (Lord Commissioner of HM Treasury) Angela Watkinson MP
- Government Whip (Lord Commissioner of HM Treasury) Jeremy Wright MP
- Government Whip (Lord Commissioner of HM Treasury) Brooks Newmark MP*
- Government Whip (Lord Commissioner of HM Treasury) James Duddridge MP

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• Assistant Government Whip - Philip Dunne MP*

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- Assistant Government Whip Robert Goodwill MP
- Assistant Government Whip Shailesh Vara MP
- Assistant Government Whip Bill Wiggin MP
- Assistant Government Whip Chloe Smith MP
- Assistant Government Whip Norman Lamb MP (and Chief Parliamentary and Political Adviser to the Deputy Prime Minister)
- Assistant Government Whip Mark Hunter MP

Whips - House of Lords

- Lords Chief Whip (Captain of the Honourable Corps of Gentlemen at Arms) The Rt Hon Baroness Anelay of St Johns DBE
- Deputy Chief Whip (Captain of The Queen's Bodyguard of the Yeomen of the Guard) The Rt Hon Lord Shutt of Greetland OBE

Baronesses and Lords in Waiting

- Baroness in Waiting Baroness Northover*
- Baroness in Waiting Baroness Rawlings
- Baroness in Waiting Baroness Verma
- Baroness in Waiting Baroness Garden*
- Lord in Waiting Earl Attlee
- Lord in Waiting Lord De Mauley TD
- Lord In Waiting Lord Taylor of Holbeach CBE
- Lord in Waiting Lord Wallace of Saltaire*
- * unpaid
- ** attends Cabinet
- *** attends Cabinet when Ministerial responsibilities are on the agenda
- † paid as a Parliamentary Secretary



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