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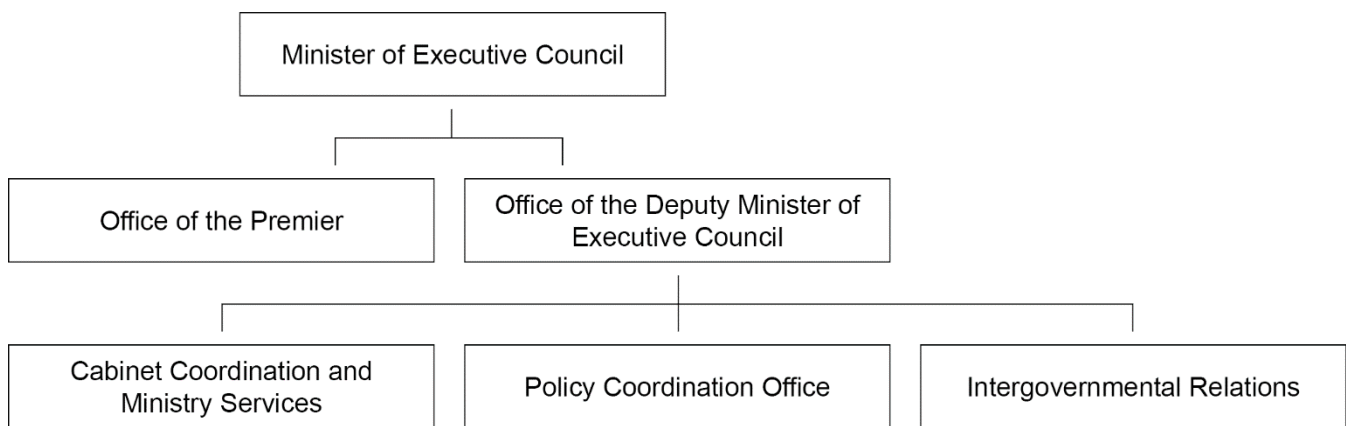
Ministry Business Plan Executive Council

Executive Council

Business Plan 2021-24

Ministry Fact Sheet – Mandate and Structure

The ministry consists of the Department of Executive Council. Executive Council supports the Premier and Cabinet with strategic planning, coordinated policy development, informed decision-making and interactions with other governments within Canada to advance the government’s agenda.



- Cabinet Coordination and Ministry Services provides organizational and administrative support to Cabinet and Cabinet committees, leads corporate planning and reporting for the ministry and supports state, official, working, and private visits to Alberta.
- The Policy Coordination Office works with all ministries to support the development of policy options that align with the government’s agenda and coordinates the review and approval of government regulations.
- Intergovernmental Relations (IGR) works with all ministries to ensure a coordinated and consistent approach to intergovernmental relations and approves all of Alberta’s intergovernmental agreements. IGR supports the Premier’s intergovernmental agenda, missions and meetings.

A more detailed description of Executive Council and its programs and initiatives can be found at:

<https://www.alberta.ca/executive-council.aspx>

The Ministry of Executive Council continues to review programs to ensure Albertans receive efficient and client-focused services from their government. As part of this ongoing review, the ministry is committed to making life easier for hard-working Albertans and job creators by reducing regulatory requirements by one-third by 2023, and eliminating administrative burden through more efficient processes. This work will improve service delivery for Albertans; foster economic growth, innovation and competitiveness; and create a strong and attractive investment climate.

Ministry business plans should be considered in conjunction with all budget documents - including the Fiscal Plan, Government Strategic Plan, and Estimates - which work together to provide a complete overview of government’s commitment to responsible fiscal management.

Business Plan – Core

Outcome 1

Government’s agenda is implemented effectively in coordination with ministries

Key Objectives

- 1.1 Provide advice and support to ministries to align policy and legislative proposals. Assist government to implement public policies, programs and services.
- 1.2 Provide advice and information to the Premier and Cabinet to support informed decision-making.

Outcome 2

Alberta’s priorities are advanced across Canada and internationally

Key Objectives

- 2.1 Build and maintain strong relationships with federal, provincial and territorial governments, advocating for Alberta’s interests on issues of importance to Albertans.
- 2.2 Collaborate with other ministries to define intergovernmental strategies that ensure a coordinated and consistent approach to policies as they relate to other jurisdictions within Canada.
- 2.3 Collaborate with other ministries on timely and consistent reviews and approvals of intergovernmental agreements.
- 2.4 Collaborate with other ministries and jurisdictions to reduce red tape and barriers to internal trade. This includes reviewing Alberta’s exceptions under the New West Partnership Trade Agreement to reduce wherever possible and working with other governments through the Regulatory Reconciliation and Cooperation Table to reconcile existing regulatory measures that act as a barrier to trade, and cooperate to align new regulatory measures.
- 2.5 Promote the free flow of goods, services and labour mobility across Canada.
- 2.6 Coordinate the strategic and operational engagement activities of the government in support of Alberta’s energy industry and other industries that are being assessed using Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) criteria.
- 2.7 Lead the planning and implementation of key visits by foreign heads of state and government, ambassadors and high commissioners to Canada, consuls general with jurisdiction for Alberta, ministers of foreign national governments and governors of sub-national jurisdictions officially twinned with Alberta, to Alberta. These visits provide an opportunity to develop new markets while showcasing the province.

Performance Metrics

1.a Performance Measure: Satisfaction of ministries with the services they receive from Executive Council

Executive Council works closely with ministries to prepare proposals for Cabinet and Cabinet Committees. The satisfaction of client ministries reflects the quality of service provided by Executive Council. In 2019-20, the result for this measure was 82%.

Targets	2021-22	85%	2022-23	85%	2023-24	85%
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1.b Performance Measure: Satisfaction of ministries that the advice and support from Executive Council assists the ministries in advancing the policy and operational mandates of the government

Executive Council works closely with ministries to prepare proposals for Cabinet and Cabinet committees. The satisfaction of client ministries reflects the quality of service provided by Executive Council. In 2019-20, the result for this measure was 72%.

Targets	2021-22	85%	2022-23	85%	2023-24	85%
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2.a Performance Measure: Satisfaction of ministries with the services they receive from Executive Council to advance Alberta's interests within Canada

Intergovernmental Relations works with ministries to advance the Premier's intergovernmental agenda. The satisfaction of client ministries reflects the quality of service provided by Executive Council. In 2019-20, the result for this measure was 92%.

Targets	2021-22	90%	2022-23	90%	2023-24	90%
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2.b Performance Measure: Percentage of intergovernmental agreements reviewed within the designated two-week timeframe

Intergovernmental Relations is responsible for reviewing and approving all intergovernmental agreements. Timely responses to ministries is a critical service standard. In 2019-20, the result for this measure was 100%.

Targets	2021-22	100%	2022-23	100%	2023-24	100%
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2.c Performance Indicator: Number of intergovernmental meetings (multilateral and bilateral) supported

	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
Number of intergovernmental meetings (multilateral and bilateral) supported	176	187	183	110	94

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

(thousands of dollars)

	Comparable			2021-22 Estimate	2022-23 Target	2023-24 Target
	2019-20 Actual	2020-21 Budget	2020-21 Forecast			
REVENUE						
Other Revenue	43	8	8	8	8	8
Consolidated Total	43	8	8	8	8	8
EXPENSE						
Office of the Premier / Executive Council	14,360	12,943	12,818	12,701	12,652	12,652
Intergovernmental Relations	3,934	3,701	3,492	5,554	5,452	5,452
Consolidated Total	18,294	16,644	16,310	18,255	18,104	18,104
Net Operating Result	(18,251)	(16,636)	(16,302)	(18,247)	(18,096)	(18,096)
CAPITAL INVESTMENT						
Office of the Premier / Executive Council	13	25	25	25	25	25
Consolidated Total	13	25	25	25	25	25