

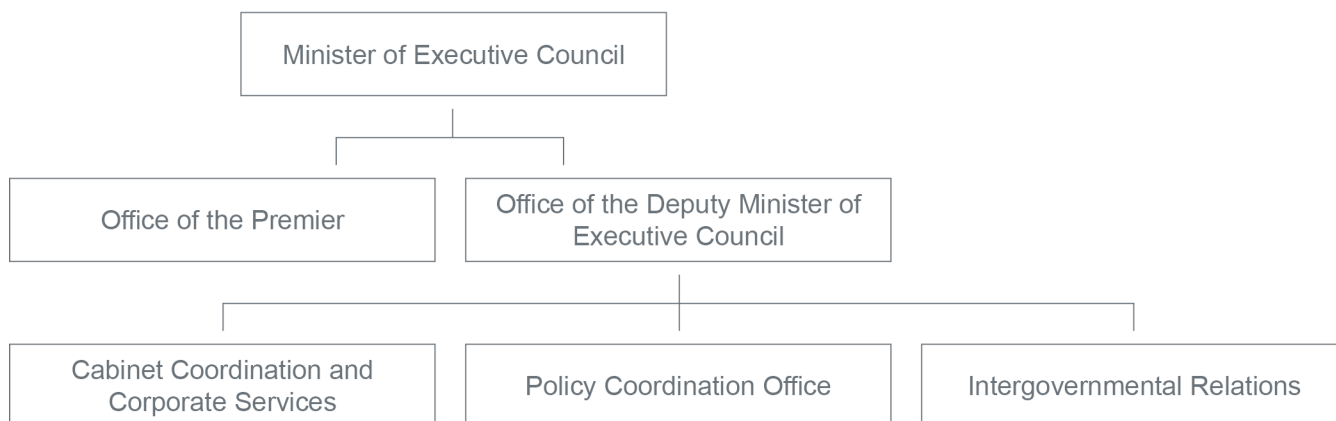
# Executive Council

## Business Plan 2019–23

### Ministry Mandate and Structure

The ministry consists of the Department of Executive Council. The department supports the Premier, cabinet and ministries as they deliver and implement government’s agenda. The department offers advice and guidance on legislative, regulatory and policy issues to cabinet and cabinet committees, and collaborates with ministries to ensure that cabinet decisions are implemented in a timely and efficient manner. The ministry also helps ensure Alberta’s priorities are advanced across Canada and internationally. This involves:

- providing leadership to the Alberta Public Service and government ministries;
- leading strategic planning, policy development and co-ordination for government;
- supporting the administration of government’s decision-making processes;
- leading interactions and partnerships with other governments within Canada; and
- planning and managing state, official and working visits involving Alberta government officials.



A more detailed description of Executive Council and its programs and initiatives can be found at: [www.alberta.ca/executive-council.aspx](http://www.alberta.ca/executive-council.aspx).

### Ministry Outcomes

- Government’s agenda is implemented effectively in coordination with ministries
- Alberta’s priorities are advanced across Canada

# Outcome 1

## What We Want To Achieve

### Government's agenda is implemented effectively in coordination with ministries

The Premier and cabinet require objective, comprehensive and coordinated information to make, communicate and implement decisions. Executive Council supports government decision-making by providing advice and guidance on operations, policy and legislative issues.

#### 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.

#### Initiatives Supporting Key Objectives

- Cabinet Coordination Office (CCO) is responsible for the organizational and administrative support to Cabinet. CCO provides strategic agenda-setting and development, facilitates information flow to decision makers, and communicates meeting outcomes. In 2019-20, the CCO budget is \$1 million.
- The Policy Coordination Office (PCO) works with the Premier's Office and CCO to support delivery of the government's policy and legislative agenda. PCO works in partnership with all ministries to develop policy options that align with the government's agenda and plays an essential quality assurance function to ensure that high-quality decision documents are provided to cabinet and its committees. PCO also coordinates the system to review and approve government regulation and provides secretariat support to cabinet committees. In 2019-20, \$3.1 million is allocated to PCO.
- Operations and Machinery of Government (OMG) works with all ministries to monitor and track the progress of programs, projects and issues across government. OMG also provides a corporate planning and support role for Executive Council and develops training, guides and orientation material for decision-making processes. The OMG budget is \$745,000 for 2019-20.

## Performance Metrics

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

In 2018-19, the satisfaction rate was 77 per cent, based on survey results from December 2018.

#### TARGETS

2019-20:	85%
2020-21:	85%
2021-22:	85%
2022-23:	85%

**1.b Performance Measure: Average monthly unique visits by policy professionals to government’s internal policy development and coordination resource website**

In 2018-19, there were an average of 658 monthly unique visits to the site.

**TARGETS**

2019-20:	1,000
2020-21:	1,000
2021-22:	1,000
2022-23:	1,000

**1.c 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**

In 2018-19, the satisfaction rate was 76 per cent, based on survey results from December 2018.

**TARGETS**

2019-20:	85%
2020-21:	85%
2021-22:	85%
2022-23:	85%

## Outcome 2

### What We Want To Achieve

#### Alberta’s priorities are advanced across Canada

Executive Council leads the coordination and advancement of Alberta’s priorities as they relate to other governments across Canada. The ministry coordinates Alberta’s leadership and participation within the Canadian federation and welcomes heads of state or representatives from other governments.

#### 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 Lead the planning of key visits by heads of state or government, ambassadors and high commissioners, and national ministers to Alberta, providing an opportunity to develop new markets while showcasing the province to those visitors.

#### Initiatives Supporting Key Objectives

- Intergovernmental Relations (IGR) works with other ministries across the Government of Alberta to develop collaborative approaches and expand multilateral and bilateral partnerships. IGR also supports the Premiers and ministers at intergovernmental forums and reviews all intergovernmental agreements. The IGR budget is \$4.8 million for 2019-20.

- The Internal Trade branch within IGR focuses on showing leadership and partnering with provinces to reduce internal trade barriers. In 2019-20, \$777,000 is allocated to the Internal Trade branch within the IGR budget.

## Performance Metrics

### 2.a Performance Measure: Satisfaction of ministries with the services they receive from Executive Council to advance Alberta’s interests within Canada

In 2018-19, the satisfaction rate was 88 per cent, based on survey results from December 2018.

#### TARGETS

2019-20:	90%
2020-21:	90%
2021-22:	90%
2022-23:	90%

### 2.b Performance Measure: Percentage of intergovernmental agreements reviewed within the designated two-week timeframe

In 2018-19, which was the first year of data collection, 100 per cent of agreements were reviewed within two weeks.

#### TARGETS

2019-20:	100%
2020-21:	100%
2021-22:	100%
2022-23:	100%

### 2.c Performance Indicator: Number of intergovernmental meetings (multilateral and bilateral) supported

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Number of intergovernmental meetings (multilateral and bilateral) supported.	163	176	187	183	110

## STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

(thousands of dollars)

	Comparable		<b>2019-20 Estimate</b>	2020-21 Target	2021-22 Target	2022-23 Target
	2018-19 Budget	2018-19 Actual				
<b>REVENUE</b>						
Other Revenue	8	7	<b>8</b>	8	8	8
Consolidated Total	8	7	<b>8</b>	8	8	8
<b>EXPENSE</b>						
Office of the Premier / Executive Council	13,390	13,510	<b>14,778</b>	12,471	12,449	12,421
Intergovernmental Relations	4,841	3,894	<b>4,841</b>	4,253	4,209	4,153
Ministry Total	18,231	17,404	<b>19,619</b>	16,724	16,658	16,574
Inter-Ministry Consolidations	-	(4)	-	-	-	-
Consolidated Total	18,231	17,400	<b>19,619</b>	16,724	16,658	16,574
Net Operating Result	(18,223)	(17,393)	<b>(19,611)</b>	(16,716)	(16,650)	(16,566)
<b>CAPITAL INVESTMENT</b>						
Office of the Premier / Executive Council	-	-	<b>25</b>	25	25	25
Consolidated Total	-	-	<b>25</b>	25	25	25

