



WHO'S WHO IN THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION

CABINET REFERENCE GUIDE

The President's Cabinet includes the Vice President and the heads of 15 executive departments tasked with advising the President on any subject relating to the duties of each member's respective office.

| CABINET POSITION | NOMINEE / APPOINTEE | BACKGROUND | POLICY INTERESTS / NOTABLE ISSUE STANCES | GOVERNMENT EXPERIENCE |
|---|---------------------|--|---|---|
| Attorney General | Sen. Jeff Sessions | Senator from Alabama; former State AG and nominee for a federal judgeship | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Leading congressional opponent of illegal immigration and proponent of reducing legal immigration ▶ Advocate of expanding construction of a Southern border fence | Served in the U.S. Senate since 1997; held public office in Alabama since 1981 |
| Secretary of Agriculture | Sonny Perdue | Former Governor of Georgia | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ An immigration hawk | Two terms as Georgia governor and a decade in the state legislature |
| Secretary of Commerce | Wilbur Ross | Billionaire Investor and founder of the investment firm W.L. Ross and Co | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Known as the "King of Bankruptcy" for restructuring steel, textile and mining companies, among others ▶ Takes a critical view of U.S. trade policy of the last two decades | None |
| Secretary of Defense | Gen. James Mattis | 44-year career in the Marine Corps, served as head of U.S. Central Command | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Known for his candor, blunt talk and great attention to military tactics and strategy ▶ Opposed the Iranian Nuclear Deal | 44 years in the military, no experience in civilian posts |
| Secretary of Education | Betsy DeVos | Michigan Education Activist | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Advocate for expanding charter schools and private-school vouchers | None |
| Secretary of Energy | Rick Perry | Former Texas Governor and former Presidential candidate | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ An advocate of fiscal conservatism ▶ Opposes federal health care reform and the Affordable Care Act | Three-and-a-half terms as the Governor of Texas, eight years as Texas agriculture commissioner, and a short stint as lieutenant governor |
| Secretary of Health and Human Services | Eric Hargan | Current Deputy Secretary of Health and Human Services and previously served on president Trump's transition team for HHS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Critic of the Affordable Care Act ▶ Has long voiced skepticism of government regulations in health care ▶ Supports greater transparency in health care prices and quality | Held various positions within the Department of Health and Human Services from 2003 to 2007 under George W. Bush |
| Secretary of Homeland Security | Kirstjen Nielson | Senior member of the Resilience Task Force of the Center for Cyber and Homeland Security committee at George Washington University, founder and former president of Sunesis Consulting | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Known for her no-nonsense, mission-focused approach to homeland security ▶ Favors a merit-based immigration system over the current system based on family relations | Former Principal Deputy White House Chief of Staff to President Trump, Former Chief of Staff to John F. Kelly during his term as Secretary of Homeland Security |

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| Secretary of Housing and Urban Development | Dr. Ben Carson | Retired neurosurgeon and former Presidential Candidate | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Dedicated to strengthening communities that are most in need ▶ Brings a personal experience of having grown up poor in Detroit | None |
| Secretary of the Interior | Ryan Zinke | Member of Congress from Montana and retired Navy SEAL | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Strong advocate for American energy independence ▶ Supports an all-encompassing energy policy ▶ Supports mining and drilling | Two years in the Montana Senate and two years as a member of the U.S. House of Representatives from Montana's at-large district |
| Secretary of Labor | Alexander Acosta | Dean of Florida International College of Law; former Assistant Attorney General | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Tough on health care fraud and white collar crime during tenure as Assistant Attorney General | Assistant Attorney General under the George W. Bush administration; member of the National Labor Relations Board |
| Secretary of State | Mike Pompeo | Member of Congress, Director of CIA, former U.S. Army officer | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Opposed the Iranian Nuclear Deal ▶ Tea Party Advocate ▶ Fiscally and socially conservative | Director of the CIA under the Trump administration, Six years as a member of the U.S. House of Representatives from Kansas' 4th congressional district |
| Secretary of Transportation | Elaine Chao | Former Labor Secretary, former chairman of the United Way | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Supported regulatory and legislative reforms in protecting the health, safety, wages and retirement security of U.S. workers | Labor Secretary for both terms of the George W. Bush administration and served as deputy secretary in the Department of Transportation |
| Secretary of Treasury | Steven Mnuchin | Former Chief Information Officer for Goldman Sachs | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Supports re-examining the Dodd-Frank regulations | None |
| Secretary of Veterans Affairs | Robert Wilkie (acting) | Former Vice President for Strategic Programs for CH2M HILL; reserve intelligence officer in the U.S. Air Force Reserve | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Supports continued reform of civilian workforce management for the Department of Defense ▶ Considers increasing force readiness a top priority | Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness; principle advisor to the Secretary and Deputy Secretary of Defense for Total Force Management as it relates to readiness |



CABINET APPOINTMENT PROCESS

1. Nominated by the President/President-elect
2. Senate hearings before relevant Senate committee
3. Voted out of committee before going to full Senate
4. Confirmed by full Senate in floor vote

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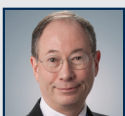
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