

# Responsibilities of Cabinet members

<p><b><u>Department of State</u></b></p>  <p><b>Mission:</b> Develop foreign policy, advance freedom, and create a secure and beneficial world for the American people and the international community.</p>	<p><b><u>Department of the Treasury</u></b></p>  <p><b>Mission:</b> Collect revenue (the IRS is the largest of Treasury's bureaus), produce money, and formulate economic policy.</p>
<p><b><u>Department of Defense</u></b></p>  <p><b>Mission:</b> Provide the military forces needed to deter war and protect the security of the United States.</p>	<p><b><u>Department of Justice</u></b></p>  <p><b>Mission:</b> Enforce the law and defend the interests of the United States according to the law, prevent and control crime, and seek just punishment for criminals.</p>
<p><b><u>Department of the Interior</u></b></p>  <p><b>Mission:</b> Protect and provide access to our nation's natural and cultural heritage and honor our trust responsibilities to Indian Tribes and our commitments to island communities.</p>	<p><b><u>Department of Agriculture</u></b></p>  <p><b>Mission:</b> Formulate policy on farming, food, and natural resources, maintain food safety, and combat hunger worldwide.</p>
<p><b><u>Department of Commerce</u></b></p>  <p><b>Mission:</b> Foster, serve, and promote the nation's economic development and technological advancement.</p>	<p><b><u>Department of Labor</u></b></p>  <p><b>Mission:</b> Assure work safety, fair pay, and unemployment insurance benefits.</p>
<p><b><u>Department of Health &amp; Human Services</u></b></p>  <p><b>Mission:</b> Protect the health of all Americans and provide essential human services, especially for those who are least able to help themselves.</p>	<p><b><u>Department of Housing &amp; Urban Development</u></b></p>  <p><b>Mission:</b> Increase home ownership, support community development, and increase access to affordable housing.</p>
<p><b><u>Department of Energy</u></b></p>  <p><b>Mission:</b> Advance the national, economic, and energy security of the United States and promote scientific and technological innovation.</p>	<p><b><u>Department of Education</u></b></p>  <p><b>Mission:</b> Foster excellence and equal access by establishing policies on federal financial aid for education, distribute and monitor financial aid, and collect data on the nation's schools.</p>
<p><b><u>Department of Veterans Affairs</u></b></p>  <p><b>Mission:</b> Care for the nation's veterans, issue checks for disability, education and pensions, and supervise national cemeteries.</p>	<p><b><u>Department of Homeland Security</u></b></p>  <p><b>Mission:</b> Secure the country and preserve America's freedoms while preparing to respond to all hazards and disasters.</p>