

# Malcolm Turnbull

Australia has its fifth prime minister in eight years after the ruling Liberal Party voted out Tony Abbott in favour of longtime rival Malcolm Turnbull



- **1954:** Turnbull born in Sydney
- **1973-80:** Studies law at University of Sydney and Oxford University
- **1980s:** Defends former British spy **Peter Wright** in “Spycatcher” case
- **1990s:** Co-founds **OzEmail** – one of Australia’s biggest internet service providers at that time
- **2004:** Elected as MP for seat in Sydney suburb of Wentworth, where he still lives with wife **Lucy Hughes** – first female Lord Mayor of Sydney. Serves as environment minister in **John Howard’s** government
- **2008:** Elected Liberal party leader while in opposition
- **2009:** Loses leadership challenge to Abbott by single vote
- **Sep 14, 2015:** Resigns as communications minister. Defeats Abbott in leadership ballot – will be Australia’s 29th prime minister