

## UNITED KINGDOM

### Secretary of State for Education and Skills

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### Ruth Kelly

Date of birth, 9 May 1968  
Place of Birth: Limavady, Northern Ireland  
Married with three daughters and a son

#### Political offices

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| December 2004    | appointed Secretary of State for Education and Skills (previously Minister for the Cabinet Office)  |
| May 2002         | joined HM Treasury where she was, successively, Economic Secretary and Financial Secretary.   |
| In the early 90s | educated at Queen's College, Oxford, and the LSE, where she gained an MSc in Economics. She worked on The Guardian as an economics writer before joining the Bank of England.                       |
| 1997             | elected to Parliament as Member for Bolton in the General Election and the following year became Parliamentary Private Secretary to Nick Brown at the Ministry for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food. |