

CHARLES MAYER

Minister of Agriculture

Charles Mayer was born in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, on April 21, 1936. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture with a major in Agricultural Economics from the University of Saskatchewan. First elected to the House of Commons in 1979, Mr. Mayer represents the Manitoba constituency of Lisgar-Marquette. He was re-elected in 1980, 1984 and 1988. In September 1984, Mr. Mayer was appointed to the Cabinet of the Right Honourable Brian Mulroney as Minister of State for the Canadian Wheat Board. In November 1984, he was appointed Minister responsible for liaison with Canada's cooperative sector. In August 1987, he was named Minister of State for Grains and Oilseeds. Mr. Mayer was appointed Minister of Western Economic Diversification in 1989 while retaining his responsibilities as Minister of State for Grains and Oilseeds. In January 1993, Mr. Mayer was appointed Minister of Agriculture. He is a member of four Cabinet Committees; Priorities and Planning, Economic and Trade Policy, Foreign and Defense Policy, Treasury Board.