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MPs related to other current or former Members in the 2017 Parliament

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Current MPs

This list notes MPs who, as of September 2017, have family members who are also current or former Members of the House of Commons. The list contains all those currently known to the Commons Library. In-laws are not included and relationships more than four generations back are not noted.

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Note: Subsequent honours or peerages awarded after the Member has left the Commons are not reflected in this list.

Past MPs

[Information from the 2010, 2015 and 2017 parliaments](#) is available in the spreadsheet uploaded as a supporting document to this list.

British Political Facts, Butler and Butler 2011, provides information on the family connections of MPs from 1900 to 2010.

Biographical and electoral information on Members:

[List of MPs on the Parliament website](#)

[Members 1979-2010 - Commons Library Research Paper, 09/31](#)

Stenton & Lees, *Who's Who of British Members of Parliament*, Vols I - IV

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Name of Member	relation	Relative
Victoria Atkins (Con) Louth and Horncastle 2015 -	<i>daughter of</i>	Sir Robert Atkins (Con) Preston North 1979-1983; South Ribble 1983-1997
Hilary Benn (Lab) Leeds Central 1999 -	<i>son of</i>	Tony Benn (Lab) Bristol South East 1950-61, 1963-83; Chesterfield 1984-2001
	<i>grandson of</i>	William Wedgwood Benn (Lib; Lab) Tower Hamlets St George's 1906-1918; Leith 1918-1927; Aberdeen North 1928-1931; Gorton 1937-1942
	<i>great-grandson of</i>	Daniel Holmes (Lib) Govan 1911-1918
	<i>great-grandson of</i>	Sir John Benn (Lib) Tower Hamlets 1892-1895; Devonport 1904-1910
Richard Benyon (Con) Newbury 2005 -	<i>son of</i>	William Benyon (Con) Buckingham 1970-1983; Milton Kenyes 1983-1992
Luciana Berger (Lab/Co-op) Liverpool, Wavertree 2010 -	<i>great-niece of</i>	Emanuel Shinwell CH (Lab) Linlithgowshire 1922-1924; Linlithgowshire 1928-1931; Durham 1935-1950; Easington 1950-1970
Nick Boles (Con) Grantham and Stamford 2010 -	<i>great-nephew</i>	Dennis Boles (Con) Wells 1939-1951
Peter Bottomley (Con) Woolwich West 1975-1983; Eltham 1983-1997; Worthing West 1997 -	<i>husband of</i>	Virginia Bottomley (Con) South West Surrey 1984-2005
	<i>uncle of</i>	Kitty Ussher (Lab) Burnley 2005-2010
Richard Burgon (Lab) Leeds East 2015 -	<i>nephew of</i>	Colin Burgon (Lab) Elmet 1997-2010
Sir William Cash (Con) Stafford 1984-1997; Stone 1997 -	<i>great-grandson of John Bright's cousin</i>	John Bright (Lib) Durham 1843-1847; Manchester 1847-1857; Birmingham 1857-1889
Jenny Chapman (Lab) Darlington 2010 -	<i>wife of</i>	Nick Smith (Lab) Blaenau Gwent 2010 -

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Geoffrey Clifton-Brown (Con) Cirencester and Tewkesbury 1992-1997; Cotswolds 1997-2010; The Cotswolds 2010 -	<i>grandson of</i>	Geoffrey Clifton-Brown (Con) Bury St. Edmunds 1945-1950
	<i>great-nephew of</i>	Douglas Clifton-Brown (Con) Speaker Hexham 1918-1923, 1924-1951
	<i>great-nephew of</i>	Howard Clifton-Brown (Con) Newbury 1922-1923, 1924-1945
	<i>great-great-nephew of</i>	Col James Clifton Brown (Lib) Horsham 1876-1980
Yvette Cooper (Lab) Pontefract and Castleford 1997-2010; Normanton, Pontefract and Castleford 2010 -	<i>wife of</i>	Ed Balls (Lab) Normanton 2005-2010; Morley and Outwood 2010-2015
Robert Courts (Con) Witney Oct 2016 -	<i>great-grandson of</i>	Albert Stubbs (Lab) Cambridgeshire 1945-1950
John Cryer (Lab) Hornchurch 1997-2005; Leyton and Wanstead 2010 -	<i>husband of</i>	Ellie Reeves (Lab) Lewisham West and Penge 2017 -
John Cryer (Lab) Hornchurch 1997-2005; Leyton and Wanstead 2010 -	<i>son of</i>	Ann Cryer (Lab) Keighley 1999-2010
	<i>son of</i>	Bob Cryer (Lab) Keighley 1974-1983; Bradford South 1987-1994
Caroline Dinenege (Con) Gosport 2010 -	<i>wife of</i>	Mark Lancaster (Con) North East Milton Keynes 2005-2010; Milton Keynes North 2010 -
Peter Dowd (Lab) Bootle 2015 -	<i>great-nephew of</i>	Simon Mahon (Lab) Bootle 1955-1979
	<i>great-nephew of</i>	Peter Mahon (Lab) Preston South 1964-1970
Richard Drax (Con) South Dorset 2010 -	<i>great-grandson of</i>	John Plunkett (Con) Thornbury 1886-1892
Jack Dromey (Lab) Birmingham, Erdington 2010 -	<i>husband of</i>	Harriet Harman (Lab) Peckham 1982-1997; Camberwell and Peckham 1997-2010; Camberwell and Peckham (rev) 2010-
Philip Dunne (Con) Ludlow 2005 -	<i>grandson of</i>	Philip Dunne (Con) Stalybridge and Hyde 1935-1937
	<i>great-grandson of</i>	Edward Dunne (Lib) Walsall 1906-1910

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Angela Eagle (Lab) Wallasey 1992 -	<i>sister of</i>	Maria Eagle (Lab) Liverpool Garston 1997-2010; Garston and Halewood 2010 -
Maria Eagle (Lab) Liverpool Garston 1997-2010; Garston and Halewood 2010 -	<i>sister of</i>	Angela Eagle (Lab) Wallasey 1992 -
George Freeman (Con) Mid Norfolk 2010 -	<i>great-nephew of</i>	Mabel Philipson (Con) Berwick on Tweed 1923-1929
	<i>great-great-great-nephew</i>	William Gladstone (Lib) Leeds 1880-85; Leeds West 1885 - Jan 1910
Gill Furniss (Lab) Sheffield, Brightside and Hillsborough May 2016 -	<i>wife of</i>	Harry Harpham (Lab) Sheffield, Brightside and Hillsborough 2015 - Feb 2016
Zac Goldsmith (Con) Richmond Park 2010 - Oct 2016; Richmond Park 2017 -	<i>grandson of</i>	Major Frank Goldsmith (Con) Stowmarket, Suffolk 1910-1918
	<i>grandson of</i>	Robin Vane-Tempest-Stewart (Unionist) (8th Marquis of Londonderry) County Down 1931-1945
	<i>great-grandson of</i>	Charles Vane-Tempest-Stewart (Con) (7th Marquis of Londonderry) Maidstone 1906-1915
Dominic Grieve (Con) Beaconsfield 1997 -	<i>son of</i>	Percy Grieve (Con) Solihull 1964-1983
Harriet Harman QC (Lab) Peckham 1982-1997; Camberwell and Peckham 1997-2010; Camberwell and Peckham (rev) 2010 -	<i>wife of</i>	Jack Dromey (Lab) Birmingham, Erdington 2010-
	<i>great-great-niece</i>	Joseph Chamberlain (Lib; Lib Unionist) Birmingham 1876-1985; Birmingham West 1885-1914
	<i>great-great-niece</i>	Richard Chamberlain (Lib Unionist) Islington West 1885-1992
Lindsay Hoyle (Lab) Chorley 1997 -	<i>son of</i>	Doug Hoyle (Lab) Nelson and Colne 1974-1979; Warrington 1981-1983; Warrington North 1983-1997
Nick Hurd (Con) Ruislip-Northwood 2005-2010; Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner 2010 -	<i>son of</i>	Douglas Hurd (Con) Mid Oxfordshire 1974-1983; Witney 1983-1997
	<i>grandson of</i>	Sir Anthony Hurd (Con) Newbury 1945-1964
	<i>great-grandson of</i>	Sir Percy Hurd (Con) Frome 1918-1923; Devizes 1924-1945

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Bernard Jenkin (Con) Colchester North 1992-97; North Essex 1997 -	<i>son of</i>	Patrick Jenkin (Con) Wanstead and Woodford 1964-1987
Boris Johnson (Con) Henley 2001-2008; Uxbridge and South Ruislip 2015 -	<i>brother of</i>	Jo Johnson (Con) Orpington 2010 -
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Stephen Kinnock (Lab) Aberavon 2015 -	<i>son of</i>	Neil Kinnock (Lab) Bedwelty 1970-1983; Islwyn 1983-1995
Mark Lancaster (Con) North East Milton Keynes 2005-1910; Milton Keynes North 2010 -	<i>husband of</i>	Caroline Dinenage (Con) Gosport 2010 -
Ed Miliband (Lab) Doncaster North 2005 -	<i>brother of</i>	David Miliband (Lab) South Shields 2001-2013
Andrew Mitchell (Con) Gedling 1987-1997; Sutton Coldfield 2001 -	<i>son of</i>	Sir David Mitchell (Con) Basingstoke 1964-1983; North West Hampshire 1983-1997
Lisa Nandy (Lab) Wigan 2010 -	<i>granddaughter of</i>	Frank Byers (Lib) North Dorset 1945-1950
Jesse Norman (Con) Hereford and South Herefordshire 2010 -	<i>great-grandson of</i>	Sir Henry Norman (Lib) Wolverhampton South 1900-1910; Blackburn 1910-1923
	<i>grandson of</i>	Viscount Hinchingsbrooke (Con) (Victor Montagu) South Dorset 1941-1962
Ian Paisley (DUP) North Antrim 2010 -	<i>son of</i>	Ian Paisley (DUP) North Antrim 1970-1985; North Antrim 1986-2010
Mark Pawsey (Con) Rugby 2010 -	<i>son of</i>	James Pawsey (Con) Rugby 1974-1983; Rugby and Kenilworth 1983-1997
Toby Perkins (Lab) Chesterfield 2010 -	<i>great-grandson of</i>	Sir AP Herbert (Ind) Oxford University 1935-1950
Victoria Prentis (Con) Banbury 2015 -	<i>daughter of</i>	Baron (Tim) Boswell of Aynho (Con) Daventry 1987-2010

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Ellie Reeves (Lab) Lewisham West and Penge 2017 -	<i>wife of</i>	John Cryer (Lab) Hornchurch 1997-2005; Leyton and Wanstead 2010 -
Ellie Reeves (Lab) Lewisham West and Penge 2017 -	<i>sister of</i>	Rachel Reeves (Lab) Leeds West 2010 -
Rachel Reeves (Lab) Leeds West 2010 -	<i>sister of</i>	Ellie Reeves (Lab) Lewisham West and Penge 2017 -
Nick Smith (Lab) Blaenau Gwent 2010 -	<i>husband of</i>	Jenny Chapman (Lab) Darlington 2010 -
Nicholas Soames (Con) Crawley 1983-1997; Mid Sussex 1997 -	<i>son of</i>	Christopher Soames (Con) Bedford 1950-1966
	<i>cousin of</i>	Winston Churchill (Con) Stretford 1970-1983; Davyhulme 1983-1997
	<i>nephew of</i>	Randolph Churchill (Con) Preston 1940-1945
	<i>grandson of</i>	Sir Winston Churchill (Con; Lib; Con) Oldham 1900-1906; North West Manchester 1906-1908; Dundee 1908-1922; Epping 1924-1945; Woodford 1945-1964
	<i>great-grandson of</i>	Lord Randolph Churchill (Con) Woodstock 1874-1885; Paddington South 1885-1894
Tom Tugendhat (Con) Tonbridge & Malling 2015 -	<i>nephew of</i>	Christopher Tugendhat (Con) Cities of London & Westminster 1970-1974; City of London and Westminster South 1974-1977
Keith Vaz (Lab) Leicester East 1987-2010; Leicester East (rev) 2010 -	<i>brother of</i>	Valerie Vaz (Lab) Walsall South 2010 -
Valerie Vaz (Lab) Walsall South 2010 -	<i>sister of</i>	Keith Vaz (Lab) Leicester East 1987-2010; Leicester East (rev) 2010 -
Charles Walker (Con) Broxbourne 2005 -	<i>stepson of</i>	Christopher Chataway (Con) Lewisham North 1959-1966; Chichester 1969-1974
Robin Walker (Con) Worcester 2010 -	<i>son of</i>	Peter Walker (Con) Worcester 1961-1992
Bill Wiggin (Con) Leominster 2001-2010 North Herefordshire 2010 - cont.	<i>son of</i>	Sir Jerry Wiggin (Con) Weston-super-Mare 1969-1997

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Key:

Con - Conservative

DUP - Democratic Unionist Party

Ind - Independent

Lab - Labour

Lib - Liberal

LD - Liberal Democrat

SNP - Scottish National Party

SUP - Scottish Unionist Party

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