

Vita

Peer Steinbrück,
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1968	School leaving examination, followed by two years' military service in the Bundeswehr
1970 to 1974	Studied economics and social sciences at the Christian-Albrecht-University in Kiel, degree in economics December 1974
1974 to 1976	Work contract with the Federal Construction Ministry (Regional Planning)
1976 to 1977	Worked in the planning group of the Federal Ministry of Research and Technology
1977 to 1978	Personal secretary to Federal Ministers Matthöfer and Hauff
June 1978 to February 1981	Worked at the Federal Chancellery in the division responsible for the Federal Ministry Research and Technology
1981	Worked at the Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany in East Berlin, Economics Directorate
1981 to 1982	Personal secretary to the Federal Minister of Research and Technology, von Bülow
October 1983 to September 1985	Co-ordinating desk officer in the area of environmental protection of the SPD parliamentary group in the Bundestag (lower house of the German parliament)
October 1985 to November 1986	Desk officer for national economic policy in the planning group of the Ministry of Environment and Agriculture of North-Rhine/Westphalia
December 1986 to May 1990	Head of the office of the Minister President of North-Rhine/Westphalia, Johannes Rau
June 1990 to April 1992	State Secretary in the Ministry of Economics, Technology and Transportation of Schleswig-Holstein
May 1993 to October 1998	Minister of Economics, Technology and Transportation of Schleswig-Holstein
October 1998 to February 2000	Minister of Economics and Small Business, Technology and Transportation of North-Rhine/Westphalia
February 2000 to November 2002	Finance Minister of North-Rhine/Westphalia
November 2002 to June 2005	Minister president of North-Rhine/Westphalia
November 2005 to October 2009	Federal Minister of Finance
since October 2009	Member of the Bundestag