



## Edwina Currie

**Writer, broadcaster, politician, celebrity speaker**

One of the nation's best-known MPs who served in Margaret Thatcher's government 1986-88 in the Department of Health.

## Edwina's biography

### Edwina Currie's background

Edwina Currie became famous for her campaigns on heart disease, women's cancer screening and the promotion of [healthy lifestyles](#). She was also involved in the first AIDS campaign in the UK that saved many lives. She was voted "Speaker of the Year 1990" and awarded "Campaigner of the Year 1994" in the Spectator Parliamentarian Awards. She resigned over food safety (salmonella) in December 1988, and turned down John Major's request to return to government in 1992.

Following Tony Blair's rise to power Edwina took a job with the BBC which led to her becoming a well-known radio and [TV presenter](#) and performer. Besides her own successful radio show, Edwina has taken part in a number of TV game and competition shows as well as reality TV shows, and presented on documentaries and other entertainment performances.

Edwina's fame has also brought her to performances in pantomimes, and stage performances on UK tours.

