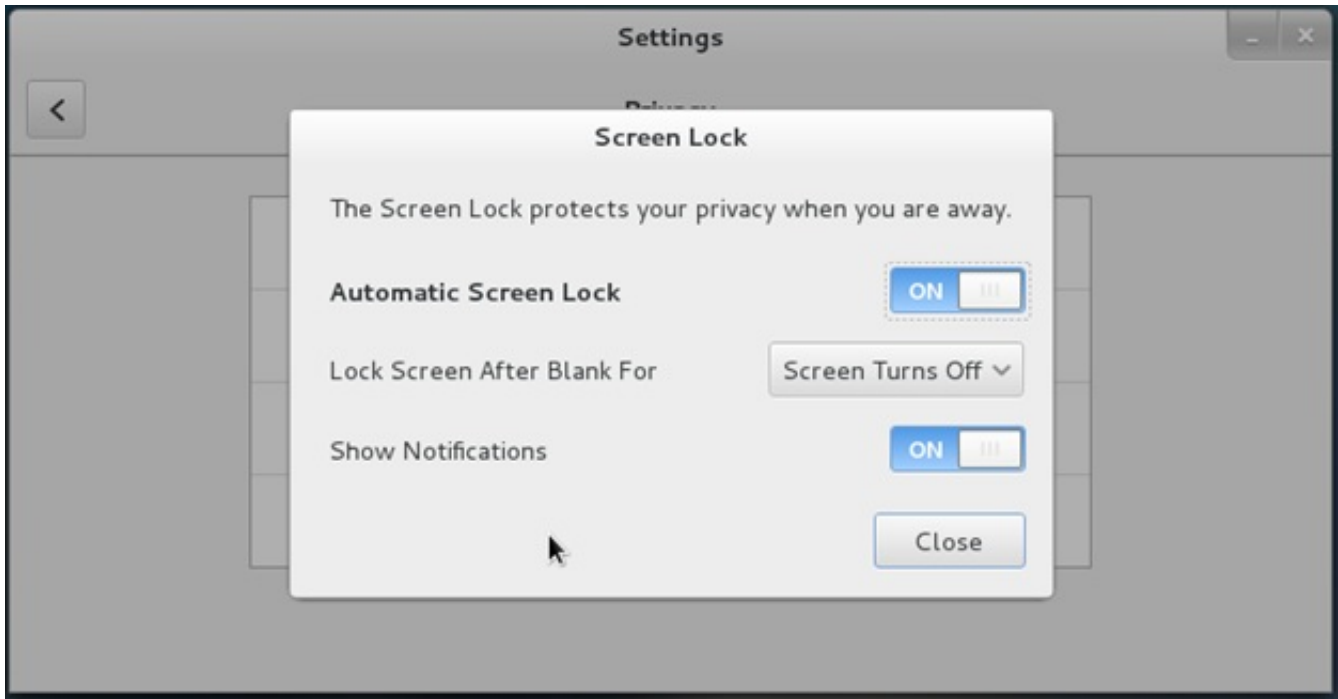# Change GNOME lock time settings in Linux

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In **GNOME 3.X The screen lock time setting** is set either to *1 minute 15 minutes or NEVER*.
So what if you would like to,

Set the gnome screen lock settings value to 30 minutes or one Hour

Here is how:

For 30 minutes lock screen setting:

linux:~$ **gsettings set org.gnome.desktop.session idle-delay 1800**

Set GNOME lock time to 1 hour

linux:~$ **gsettings set org.gnome.desktop.session idle-delay 3600**

 The setting is set in seconds so quickest way to calculate is to divide by **60 (seconds)**, you can calculate easily the time you like with BC (arbitrary precision calculation language) like so:

linux:~$ **echo '3600/60' | bc**
60

 Lets say you would like to set your screen to lock every 3 hours, the **delay** value to set in org.**gnome.desktop.session** would be:

linux:~$ **echo '3600*3' | bc**
10800

Once you set the value to a different than the 3 recognized ones would show in **GNOME Control**

Center as Never (depending on the distro).