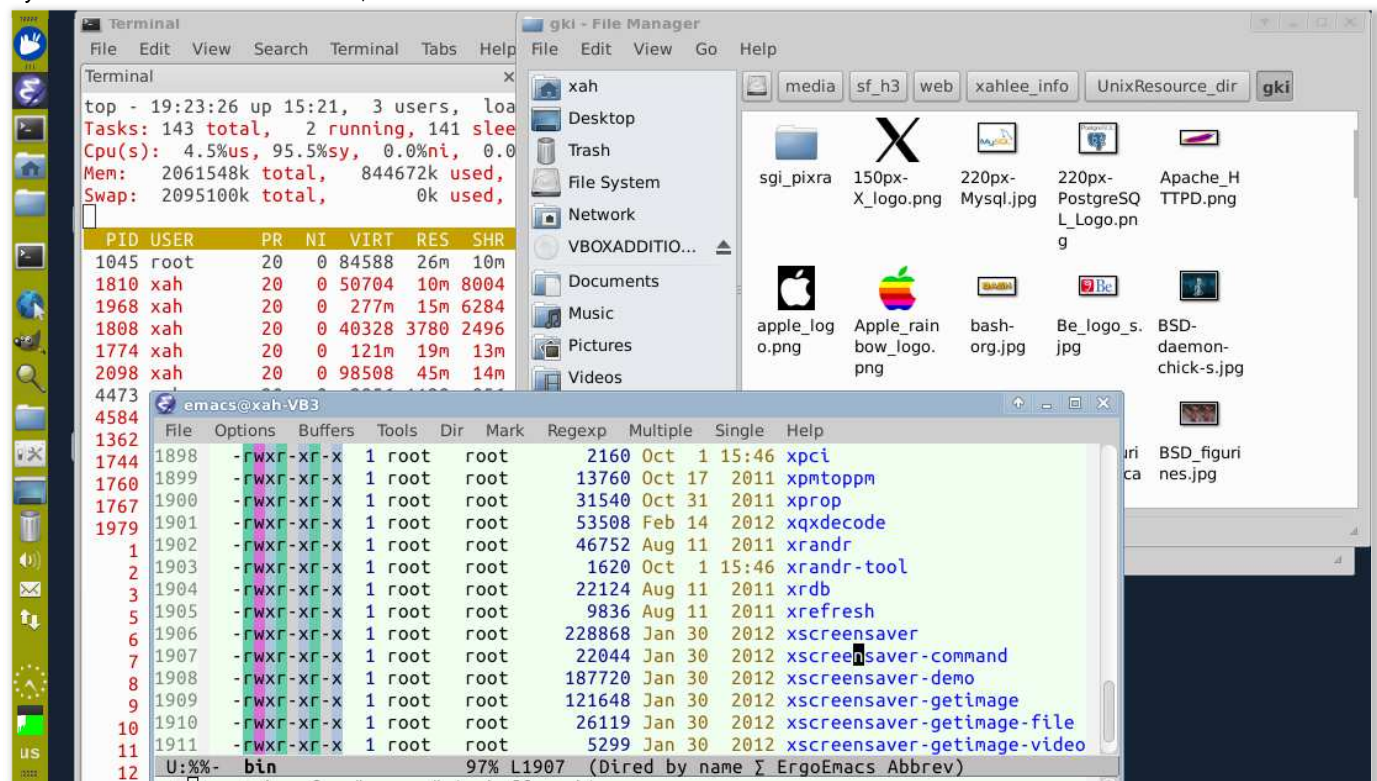


Linux: Xfce Keyboard Shortcuts

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↑ xfce desktop

The following are the default Xfce keys. (Xfce version 4.8, as of 2012-09-02)

Window Manipulation Keys

Key	Purpose
[Alt + Space]	window operations menu
[Esc]	Dismiss/cancel dialog
[Alt + Tab ↹]	Switch to next window. With [Shift] for previous.
[Super + Tab ↹]	next window of current app.

Key	Purpose
[Alt + F4]	Close window
[Alt + F7]	Move window
[Alt + F8]	Resize window
[Alt + F9]	Hide window
[Alt + F10]	Maximize window
[Alt + ↑ Shift + Page Up] [Alt + ↑ Shift + Page Down]	Raise/lower window
[Alt + F11]	Toggle fullscreen
[Alt + F12]	Toggle above
[Ctrl + Alt + d]	show desktop

Move Window to Workspace (virtual screen)

Key	Purpose
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【 Alt + F6 】	stick window (show in all workspace)
【 Ctrl + Alt + ↘ End 】	move window to next workspace
【 Ctrl + Alt + ↙ Home 】	move window to previous workspace
【 Ctrl + Alt + numpad 1 】	Move window to workspace 1
【 Ctrl + Alt + numpad 2 】	Move window to workspace 2

Switching Workspace

Key	Purpose
【 Ctrl + Alt + → 】 【 Ctrl + Alt + ← 】	Next/Previous workspace
【 Ctrl + Alt + ↑ 】	upper workspace
【 Ctrl + Alt + ↓ 】	bottom workspace
【 Ctrl + Alt + ← 】	left workspace
【 Ctrl + Alt + → 】	right workspace
【 Ctrl + F1 】	goto workspace 1
【 Ctrl + F2 】	goto workspace 2
【 Alt + Insert 】	Add a workspace
【 Alt + ☒ Delete 】	Delete last workspace
【 Ctrl + Alt + ☒ Delete 】	Lock the screen

Misc

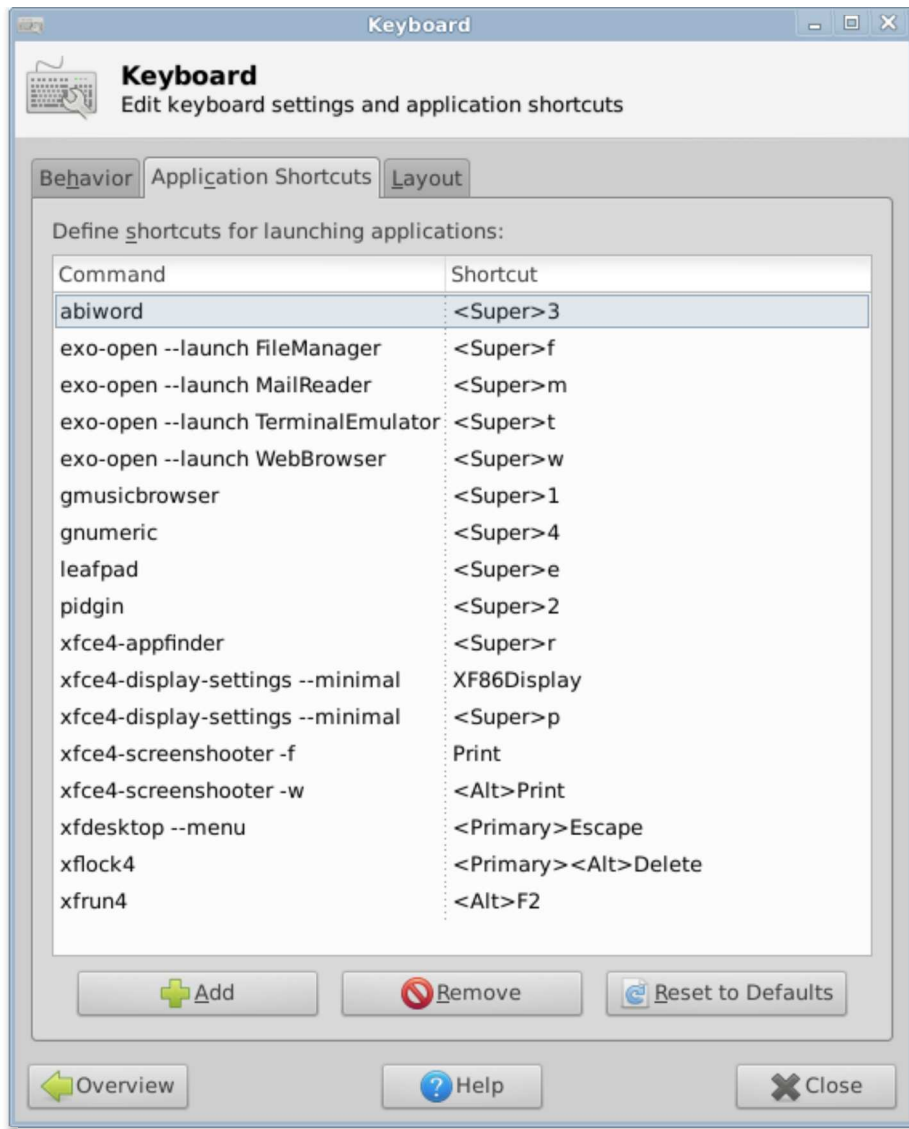
Key	Purpose
【 ❖ Super + p 】 【 XF86Display 】	<code>xfce4-display-settings --minimal</code>
【 Ctrl + Esc 】	Show Context Menu. <code>xfdesktop --menu</code>
【 Ctrl + Alt + ☒ Delete 】	lock screen. <code>xflock4</code>
【 Alt + F2 】	Start prompt to run command. <code>xfrun4</code>

How to Change Keys

You can change the keys in Settings control panel. Launch it by `xfce4-settings-manager`.

- Window Manager panel → keys related to general manipulation of windows and virtual screen.
- Keyboard panel → keys related to launching app, etc.

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Mouse Wheel

- Hover your mouse over the taskbar, then scroll mouse wheel to cycle windows.
- Hover your mouse over empty space on desktop, then scroll mouse wheel to cycle workspaces.

You can set mouse so that hover will activate the window (put focus on it and bring it to front). Set in the Window Manager preference pane.

Tip: One Workspace

To make it simpler, set workspace to just 1, and turn off all keys about workspace. And just define a few, single-key, function keys, to close window or switch to your most frequently used app. Example:

- **[F5]** → switch to last window
- **[F6]** → cycle window
- **[F7]** → cycle window within a app
- **[F8]** → close window
- **[F9]** → switch to Firefox
- **[F10]** → switch to emacs
- **[F11]** → switch to terminal

For how to switch to a app [back to Linux Keyboarding Tutorial](#) switch to {Firefox, Emacs, Terminal}.

See also:

- [Keyboard: What's the Use of Function Keys?](#)
- [Linux: Keyboard Layout, Keymapping, Keybinding, Tools !\[\]\(633dd45d48d71eb51a85c6dd83ee51e9_img.jpg\)](#)
- [Linux: Setting Default App](#)

See also:

- [Linux LXDE Keybinding !\[\]\(4c660a3c4ce1da3313488b7854f55083_img.jpg\)](#)
- [Linux: Most Important Keybinding for {Bash, Man, Terminal} !\[\]\(f01c435bb39e3068a9b4895c9a993158_img.jpg\)](#)
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