How do I change Visual Studio Code environment's font size?

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Is there a way to change the environment font size in Visual Studio Code? Stuff like intellisense box, debug panel, file names ..etc.

I know how to change the editor's font size but I cannot figure out how to change the environment font size. So I wonder if you can change it somehow.

visual-studio-code   vscode-settings

edited Apr 9 at 11:18   asked Nov 13 '15 at 21:18

Gama11   Sul Aga
14.3k   6   28   52   **1,643**   3   17   32

You can find what you want in settings.json from the preference menu. Microsoft gives the customization setting formate in their site. – Chi-Shan Yu Jan 17 '16 at 2:25 ✏️

14 Answers

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Currently it is not possible to change the font family or size outside the editor. You can however zoom the entire user interface in and out from the `View` menu.

Update for our VS Code 1.0 release:

A newly introduced setting `window.zoomLevel` allows to persist the zoom level for good! It can have both negative and positive values to zoom in or out.

edited Apr 15 '16 at 5:26   answered Nov 15 '15 at 7:18

Benjamin Pasero

Did you try the zoom in action from the view menu? – Benjamin Pasero Nov 15 '15 at 16:21

much better now. Can you please add this "workaround" to your answer so I can mark it as an answer. Thank you – Sul Aga Nov 15 '15 at 16:29

if you zoom out and wonder why the cursor is disappearing, check if you have it set to "thin line". Setting it to "line" will correct the problem, at least for down to 60% zoom. – Michael Johnston Oct 20 '18 at 19:08

Just copy `"editor.fontSize": 18` into your `setting.json` of the editor.

Pressing [Control] + [Shift] + [P] and then typing "settings" will allow you to easily find the user or workspace settings file.

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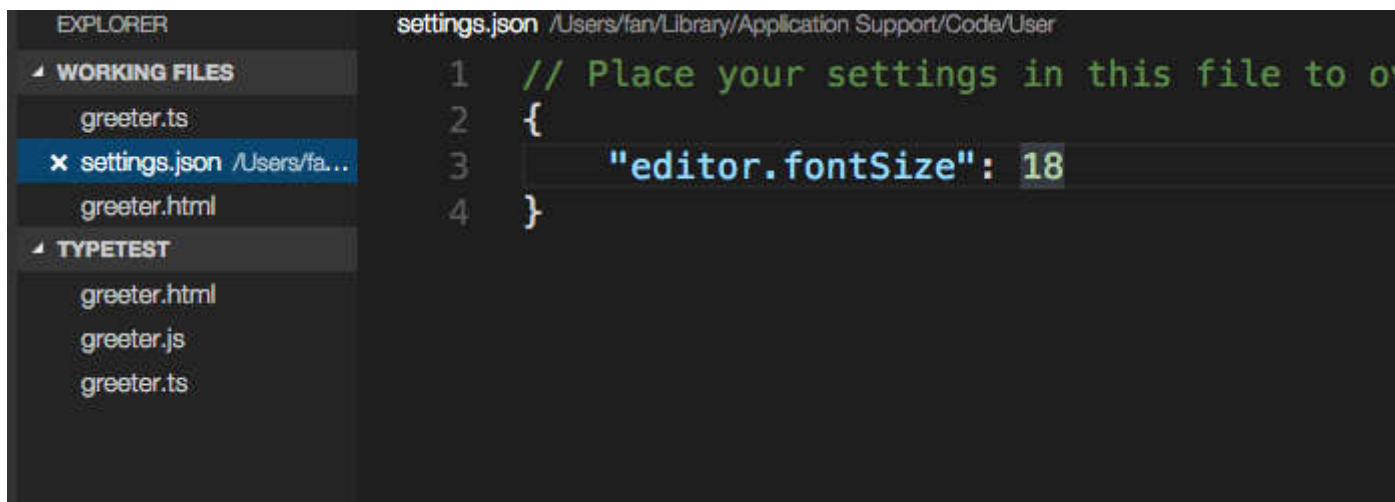
edited Jun 28 '17 at 7:44
garyh
2,479   1   21   28

answered Apr 1 '16 at 7:54
Edwin
1,325   1   5   2

9   This work well, but not the same as OP want, to resize whole things not only in text editor – Thaina Dec 24 '16 at 7:39

@StepanSuvorov see my new answer below, i know it comes late though, cheers! – randomguy04 Jan 5 '17 at 16:44

@randomguy04 still don't see shortcut for changing size in your answer – Stepan Suvorov Jan 6 '17 at 12:19

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changing settings in every session. Hope it helps...

edited Mar 29 '18 at 12:58   answered Mar 22 '17 at 5:52

Xavier Guihot   Alegozalves

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2   note, this modifies user settings "window.zoomLevel": 1, – Damian Green Feb 21 '18 at 14:01 ✏

2   In the most recent version, zoom in is `Ctrl + =` – Ryan Walker Apr 2 '18 at 1:55

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As of mid 2017 To quickly get to the settings files press `ctrl` + `shift` + `p` and enter `settings` , there you will find the user settings and the workspace settings, be aware that **the workspace settings will override the user settings**, so it's better to use the latter directly to make it a global change (workspace settings will create a folder in your project root), from there you will have the option to add the option `"editor.fontSize": 14` to your settings as a quick suggestion, but you can do it yourself and change the value to your preferred font size.

To sum it up:

1. `ctrl` + `shift` + `p`

2. select "user settings"

3. add `"editor.fontSize": 14`

edited Aug 30 '17 at 19:50   answered Jan 5 '17 at 16:43

randomguy04

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After Pressing `Control` + `Shift` + `P` as suggested by @Edwin:

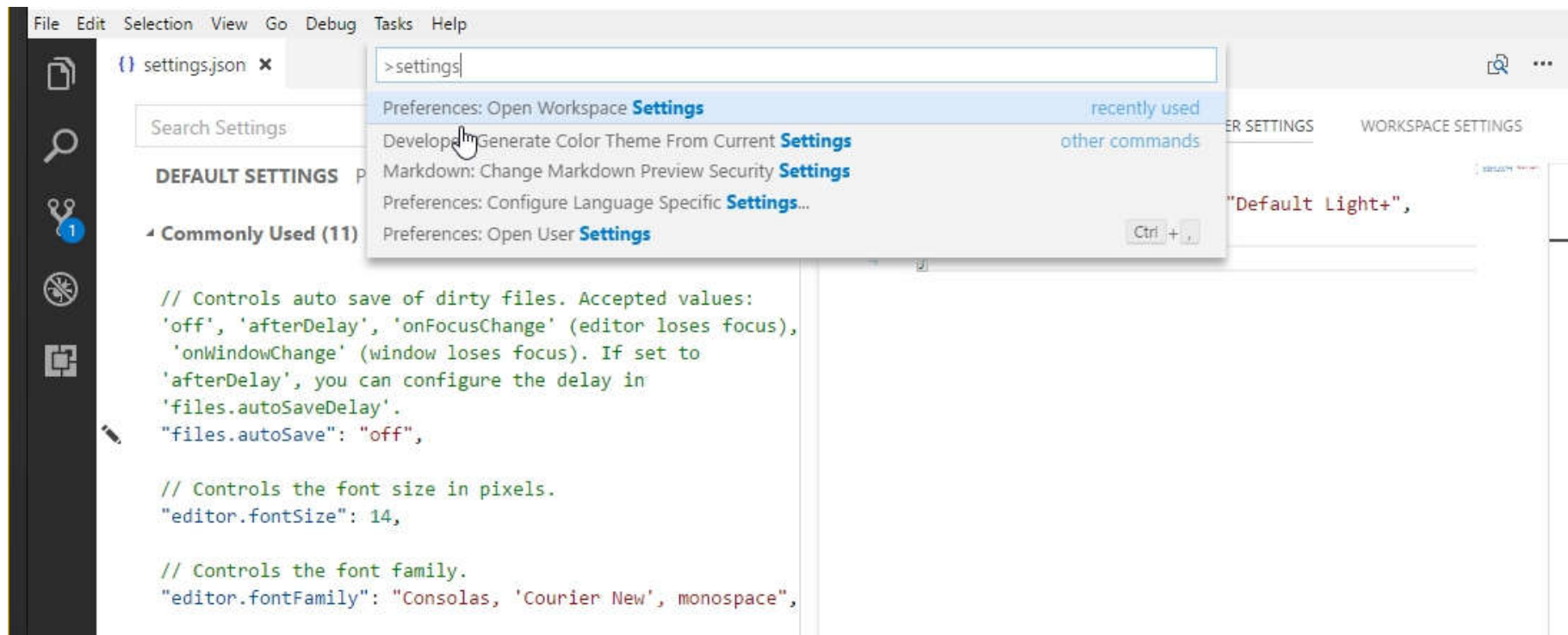1. Look for Workspace Settings:

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2. Then "Place your settings in the file to the right to overwrite...default and user settings," or click the UserSettings tab to adjust the window.zoomLevel if that is the desired action.

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File  Edit  Selection  View  Go  Debug  Tasks  Help

 {} settings.json  ✕

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  DEFAULT SETTINGS  Place your settings in the file to the right to overwrit   1   // Place your settings in this file to overwrite de
                                                                               2   {
                                                                               3   }
  ⁴ Commonly Used (11)


  // Controls auto save of dirty files. Accepted values:
  'off', 'afterDelay', 'onFocusChange' (editor loses focus)
  , 'onWindowChange' (window loses focus). If set to
  'afterDelay', you can configure the delay in
  'files.autoSaveDelay'.
  "files.autoSave": "off",


  // Controls the font size in pixels.
  "editor.fontSize": 14,


  // Controls the font family.
  "editor.fontFamily": "Consolas, 'Courier New',
  monospace",


  // The number of spaces a tab is equal to. This setting
  is overriden based on the file contents when
  `editor.detectIndentation` is on.
  "editor.tabSize": 4,
```

edited Aug 26 '18 at 4:45	answered Jul 12 '17 at 16:22
eyllanesc **98.8k** 12 37 70	usefulBee **5,375** 5 39 62

▲ You can **Zoom In and Zoom Out** the entire user interface from the View menu.

11   Right now i'm using *version 1.21.1* and there in **view menu** you can get the Zoom in and Zoom out option which are the 2nd and 3rd last

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Here the entire user interface means the VSCode editor. – shankar upadhyay May 31 '18 at 11:34

Yeah, that scales the entire window, which is perfect if you have a high resolution screen – Kirill Apr 2 at 3:38

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Try playing around with a combination of the following user settings:

```
{
    "editor.fontSize": 18,
    "window.zoomLevel": 1.5,
}
```

answered Jun 2 '18 at 3:04

Andrei Pokrovsky
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According to the changelog of version 1.2, new commands were added to zoom in and out only the font but the entire UI.

Changelog: https://code.visualstudio.com/updates/v1_24#_font-zoom-commands

Use the following keybindings to replace the default global zoom actions:

on macOS:

```
{ "key": "cmd+numpad_add",       "command": "editor.action.fontZoomIn" },
{ "key": "shift+cmd+=",          "command": "editor.action.fontZoomIn" },
{ "key": "cmd+=",                "command": "editor.action.fontZoomIn" },
{ "key": "cmd+numpad_subtract",  "command": "editor.action.fontZoomOut" },
{ "key": "shift+cmd+-",          "command": "editor.action.fontZoomOut" },
{ "key": "cmd+-",                "command": "editor.action.fontZoomOut" }
```

```
{ "key": "ctrl+numpad_add",      "command": "editor.action.fontZoomIn" },
{ "key": "shift+ctrl+=",         "command": "editor.action.fontZoomIn" },
{ "key": "ctrl+=",               "command": "editor.action.fontZoomIn" },
{ "key": "ctrl+numpad_subtract", "command": "editor.action.fontZoomOut" },
{ "key": "shift+ctrl+-",         "command": "editor.action.fontZoomOut" },
{ "key": "ctrl+-",               "command": "editor.action.fontZoomOut" },
{ "key": "ctrl+numpad0",         "command": "editor.action.fontZoomReset" },
{ "key": "ctrl+0",               "command": "editor.action.fontZoomReset" },
```

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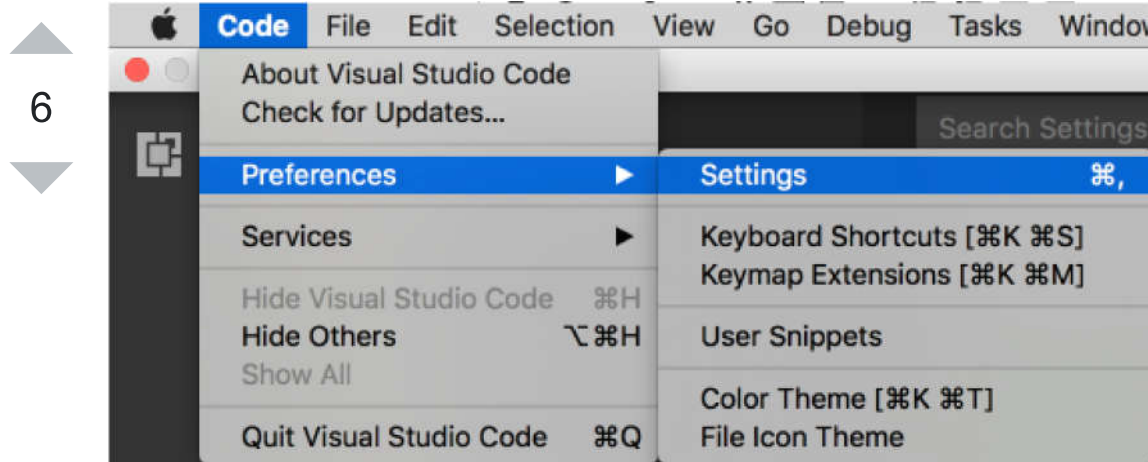Gama11   ipeluffo
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I have mine set to `"editor.fontSize": 12,`
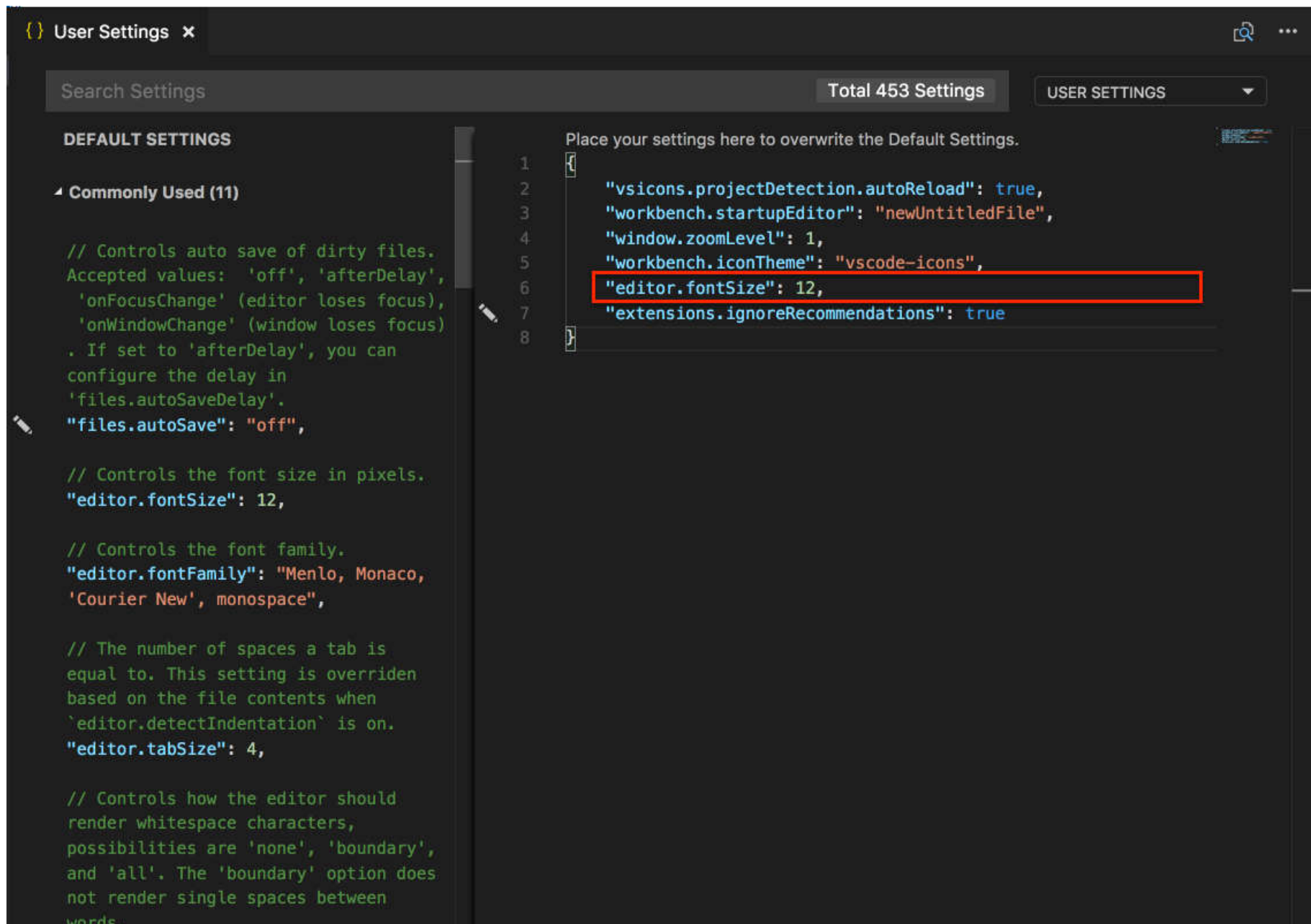
Save the file, you will see the effect right the way.

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{} User Settings  ✕                                                                    ⌕  ⋯

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DEFAULT SETTINGS                         Place your settings here to overwrite the Default Settings.

                                      1  {
◢ Commonly Used (11)                  2      "vsicons.projectDetection.autoReload": true,
                                      3      "workbench.startupEditor": "newUntitledFile",
                                      4      "window.zoomLevel": 1,
// Controls auto save of dirty files. 5      "workbench.iconTheme": "vscode-icons",
Accepted values:  'off', 'afterDelay',6      "editor.fontSize": 12,
 'onFocusChange' (editor loses focus),7      "extensions.ignoreRecommendations": true
 'onWindowChange' (window loses focus)8  }
. If set to 'afterDelay', you can
configure the delay in
'files.autoSaveDelay'.
"files.autoSave": "off",

// Controls the font size in pixels.
"editor.fontSize": 12,

// Controls the font family.
"editor.fontFamily": "Menlo, Monaco,
'Courier New', monospace",

// The number of spaces a tab is
equal to. This setting is overriden
based on the file contents when
`editor.detectIndentation` is on.
"editor.tabSize": 4,

// Controls how the editor should
render whitespace characters,
possibilities are 'none', 'boundary',
and 'all'. The 'boundary' option does
not render single spaces between
words.
```

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answered Sep 21 '17 at 12:59

kyo
20.9k   52   158   276

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2   that's not what was asked for — JohnC Jan 25 '18 at 23:40 ✏️

A Simple approach to change the Font Size in Visual Studio Work Environment :

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Go To : File -> Preferences -> Settings **OR** Press `CTRL` + `,` i.e. CTRL + COMMA.

This will open **settings.json**.

You can see 3 tabs there :

1. User Settings
2. Workspace Settings
3. Folder Settings

Go to **User Settings** and Add this :

```
{
"editor.fontSize": 16
}
```

Now just **save and close** the file.

In above code, **16** represents the font size. Increase of Decrease as per your wish.

answered Mar 21 '18 at 17:24

Ankit Pandey
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changing the `fontSize` of the overall working space/screen of VS Code, refer to Alegozalves's answer above.

answered Mar 12 '18 at 7:07

Abhishek Kakade
71   1   7

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(VS Code 1.33.1 on Windows 7)

Zoom all (UI and editor): CTRL + **+**, CTRL + **-**.

Zoom editor: CTRL + Mouse Wheel.

See below how i fixed it.

As suggested by @Edwin: Pressing Control+Shift+P and then typing "settings" will allow you to easily find the user or workspace settings file.

My settings file is found here: "C:\Users\You_user\AppData\Roaming\Code\User\settings.json"

My file looks like this:

```
{
    "editor.fontSize": 12,
    "editor.suggestFontSize": 6,
    "markdown.preview.fontSize": 0,
    "terminal.integrated.fontSize": 10,
    "window.zoomLevel": 0,
    "workbench.sideBar.location": "left",
    "editor.mouseWheelZoom": true
}
```

edited May 21 at 18:48   answered May 4 at 16:31

PythonAndPascal
86   1   6

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Repeat this until you achieve your desired font size.

answered Oct 18 '18 at 4:14

Shamsul Arefin Sajib
680   10   10

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Press Ctrl and use the mouse wheel to zoom In or Out.

answered Mar 18 at 7:41

Brave
300   3   10

You can Zoom In and Zoom Out the entire user interface from the View menu. But question is how to change font size – Maulik Sakhida Apr 9 at 11:21

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