

# AI-03969 GCP High CPU Usage Glances

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ps aux | grep glances
sudo killall glances
sudo killall -9 glances
sudo systemctl status glances
sudo systemctl stop glances
sudo systemctl disable glances
tmux ls
screen -ls
grep -i glances ~/.bashrc ~/.profile ~/.bash_profile
```

My GCP is showing high cpu on glances, how to kill glances in CLI

If **glances** is eating CPU on your GCP VM, you can safely stop or kill it from the command line.

Here's the fastest, most reliable way to do it.

## Quick Answer: Kill the Glances Process

Run this to find the process:

```
ps aux | grep glances
```

Then kill it cleanly:

```
sudo killall glances
```

If it refuses to die, force-kill it:

```
sudo killall -9 glances
```

## Alternative: Stop the Glances Service (if running as a daemon)

Some GCP images install glances as a systemd service.

Check status:

```
sudo systemctl status glances
```

Stop it:

```
sudo systemctl stop glances
```

Disable it so it doesn't start again:

```
sudo systemctl disable glances
```

## If Glances Starts Automatically on Login

It might be running inside a tmux/screen session or from `.bashrc`.

Check for tmux:

```
tmux ls
```

Check for screen:

```
screen -ls
```

Check your shell startup:

```
grep -i glances ~/.bashrc ~/.profile ~/.bash_profile
```

Remove any auto-start lines you find.

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## Why Glances Uses High CPU

Glances can spike CPU when:

- Running in **web server mode**
- Using **sensors** on unsupported hardware
- Polling too frequently
- Running multiple instances

If you want, I can help you tune or uninstall it.

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Would you like to **optimize glances** or **remove it completely**?