Improving your Netflix experience.

If you are suffering buffering while watching Netflix streaming (and/or you want to reduce your bandwidth consumption), we are pleased to let you know Netflix have provided a way to control the maximum bandwidth Netflix uses.
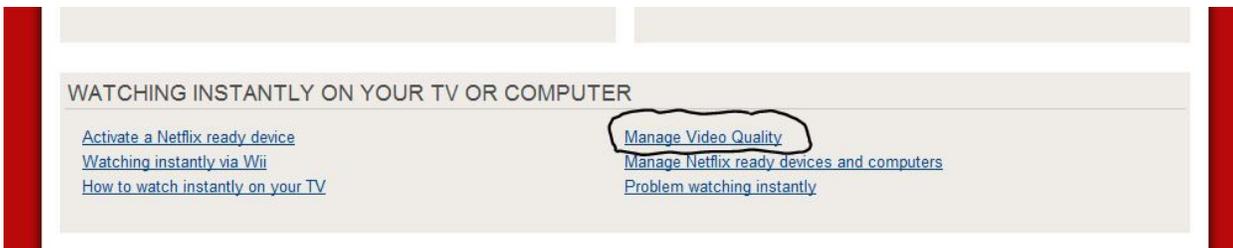
> *"Excerpt from a tech blog.*
> *Netflix also quietly gave US subscribers access to the same bandwidth management options provided to Canadians. The new "Manage Video Quality" settings (shown below) can be found in the "Your Account" section, and if you're trying to stay under bandwidth caps or just keep seeing buffering, they should help you out at the cost of a few pixels."*
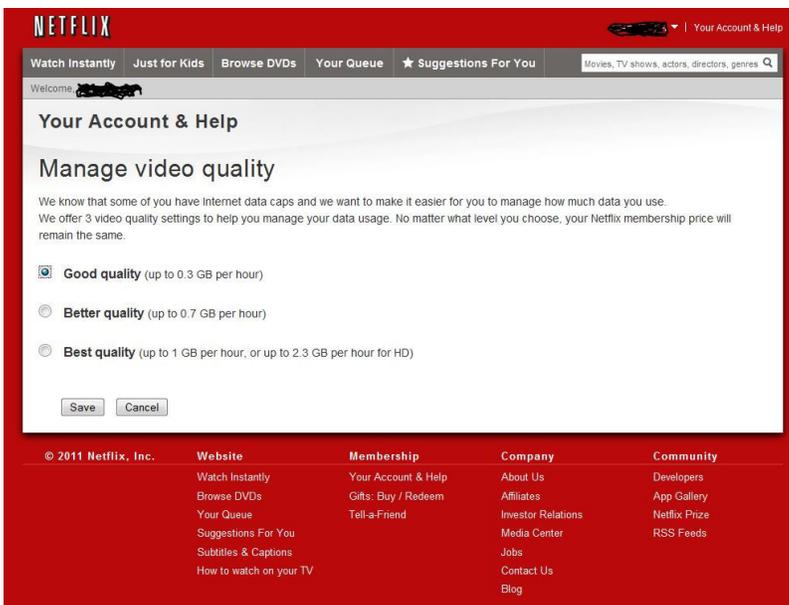
I have detailed below the steps to set this up. The good thing is, once set it will benefit all methods you use to stream Netflix video. E.g. Computer, TV, Blu-Ray players, Sony PS3, X-Box etc.

The set up.

(1) Log into Netflix.com on your computer.
(2) Click on the "Your Account & Help" link in the top right hand corner of the Netflix screen.
(3) Click on the "Manage Video Quality" link in the "WATCHING INSTANTLY ON YOUR TV OR COMPUTER" box. (see image below)

(4) Select "Good quality (up to 0.3 GB per hour)" and press save. (see image below)

Bandwidth usage at the different Netflix Settings.

Typical Movie 1.5 to 2 hours

Setting	Giga Bytes (GB) used for a 1.5 hour movie	Giga Bytes (GB) used for a 2 hour movie
Good	0.45 GB	0.6 GB
Better	1.05 GB	1.4 GB
Best	1.5 GB	2.0 GB
HD	3.45 GB	4.6 GB

Note; Netflix default setting is Best.

(5) You are done.