A Teacher’s Life by the Numbers!

Watauga and Avery County, NC

Teacher Salaries

1st Year Teacher with a B.A. $35,000*
15th Year Teacher with a M.A. $55,000*

*Data from 2020-2021

Plus extra duty pay for coaching and club sponsorship

What does that mean for teachers in this area?

The average annual wage is $38,818
Median home value is $242,099
Average rent for a two-bedroom apartment is $808

1st Year Teachers can buy houses like these*: $195,000
Mid-Career Teachers can buy houses like these*: $275,000

*With a 5% down payment for 1st year teachers and 20% down for mid-career and while spending 36% of their income on housing

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