

A TEACHER'S LIFE BY THE NUMBERS



Contra Costa County, CA

Teachers in the US **rate their lives better** than all other occupation groups, trailing only physicians.

SALARY

The average wage of all full-time workers in the county: **\$90,012***



Base Salary →

1st Year Teacher with a B.A.

**\$58,572-
\$72,137**

15th Year Teacher with a M.A.+

**\$88,728-
\$113,005**

Data from 2023-2024

Plus

**\$613-
\$6,126**

FOR COACHING
like head coach or assistant coach



**\$638-
\$5,207**

FOR CLUBS
like band, robotics, or yearbook

HOUSING

Median home value: **\$802,847***



Fair Market rent for a 2-bedroom apartment: **\$2,383***



A salary of **\$65,400** can buy a home like this:★



\$143,600

*With a 5% down payment, spending 36% of their income on housing

A salary of **\$100,900** can buy a home like this:★



\$315,000

*With a 20% down payment, spending 36% of their income on housing

RETIREMENT

Most teaching jobs have better retirement benefits than other jobs you can get with the same degree.



59 Teacher average retirement age

4 YEARS EARLIER

63 All careers average retirement age

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