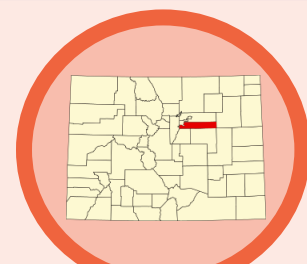


A TEACHER'S LIFE BY THE NUMBERS



Arapahoe County, CO

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

SALARY

Base Salary →

The **average** wage of all **full-time workers** in the county: **\$91,052***



1st Year Teacher with a B.A.

\$62,000 - \$65,349

15th Year Teacher with a M.A.+

\$99,925 - \$117,486

Data from 2026-2027

Plus

\$3,240 - \$6,000

FOR LARGE COMMITMENTS like head coach, debate, or band



\$900 - \$5,600

FOR SMALL COMMITMENTS like robotics club or yearbook

HOUSING

Median **home** value: **\$516,589***



Fair Market rent for a **2-bedroom apartment**: **\$2,140***



A salary of **\$63,700** can buy a home like this: *



\$298,000

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

A salary of **\$108,700** can buy a home like this: *



\$595,000

*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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