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: $81,224*

1st Year Teacher with a B.A.
$50,731-$59,755

15th Year Teacher with a M.A.+
$77,375-$115,375

Data from 2022-2024

**Plus**

$1,600-$5,858
FOR LARGE COMMITMENTS like head coach, debate, or band

$440-$5,278
FOR SMALL COMMITMENTS like robotics club or yearbook

**HOUSING**

Median home value: $747,966*

Fair Market rent for a 2-bedroom apartment: $1,724*

A salary of $55,500 can buy a home like this:★

A salary of $100,000 can buy a home like this: *

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

★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.

Teacher average retirement age: 59

4 YEARS EARLIER

All careers average retirement age: 63

*U.S. Bureau of Labor and Statistics, Zillow, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

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