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: $78,260*

1st Year Teacher with a B.A.:
- Base Salary: $52,625 - $56,098

15th Year Teacher with a M.A.+
- Base Salary: $82,436 - $93,220

Plus
- $1,408 - $7,285
  - For coaching like head coach or assistant coach
- $1,408 - $7,285
  - For clubs like band, robotics, or yearbook

Data from 2022-2023; 2023-2024

**HOUSING**

Median home value: $614,636*

Fair Market rent for a 2-bedroom apartment: $1,856*

A salary of $54,300 can buy a home like this: $140,000

A salary of $87,800 can buy a home like this: $280,000

*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

All careers average retirement age: 63

4 YEARS EARLIER

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

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59 Teacher average retirement age

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

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