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:** $56,316* 
  - **1st Year Teacher with a B.A.:** $39,514-$41,885 
  - **15th Year Teacher with a M.A.+:** $59,629-$65,500 
  - **Data from 2022-2024**

**HOUSING**

- **Median home value:** $496,854* 
  - **Fair Market rent for a 2-bedroom apartment:** $1,184* 

**RETIRED**

- **Teacher average retirement age:** 59 
  - **4 YEARS EARLIER** 
  - **All careers average retirement age:** 63 

**FOR LARGE COMMITMENTS** like head coach, debate, or band: $1,154-$6,405 

**FOR SMALL COMMITMENTS** like robotics club or yearbook: $1,050-$4,516 

**A salary of $40,000 can buy a home like this:** 

- **A salary of $65,000 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 


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