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

### SALARY

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<td>1st Year Teacher with a B.A.</td>
<td>$42,000 - $51,691</td>
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<td>$66,139 - $85,697</td>
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Data from 2022-2024

The average wage of all full-time workers in the county: $56,316*

### HOUSING

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

- A salary of $46,500 can buy a home like this: $190,000
- *With a 5% down payment, spending 36% of their income on housing

- A salary of $75,800 can buy a home like this: $395,000
- *With a 20% down payment, spending 36% of their income on housing

### RETIREMENT

- **Teacher average retirement age:** 59
- **All careers average retirement age:** 63

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

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