

# A TEACHER'S LIFE BY THE NUMBERS



Orange County, CA

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

## SALARY

Base Salary →

Plus

The average annual wage in the county: **\$75,192**



1<sup>st</sup> Year Teacher with a B.A.

**\$52,148 - \$63,168**

15<sup>th</sup> Year Teacher with a M.A.+

**\$103,083 - \$111,472**

Data from 2022-2023

**\$2,305 - \$5,763**

**FOR LARGE COMMITMENTS** like head coach, debate, or band

**\$265 - \$3,598**

**FOR SMALL COMMITMENTS** like robotics club or yearbook

## HOUSING

Median home value is **\$1,033,000**



Fair Market rent for a 2-bedroom apartment is **\$2,311**



A salary of **\$57,500** can buy a home like this:

**\$210,000**

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

A salary of **\$107,000** can buy a home like this:

**\$540,000**

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

**63** All careers average retirement age

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