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

**Salary**

- **Base Salary**
  - 1st Year Teacher with a B.A.: $49,492 - $49,766
  - 15th Year Teacher with a M.A.+: $61,187 - $61,463
- **Plus**
  - $2,600 - $3,700 for large commitments like head coach, debate, or band
  - $1,300 - $1,900 for small commitments like robotics club or yearbook

Data from 2022-2023

**Housing**

- Median home value: $464,996*
- Fair Market rent for a 2-bedroom apartment: $1,551*

**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