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: **$62,244**

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<th>Year Teacher</th>
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<td>$50,200</td>
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Data from 2023-2024

**HOUSING**

Median home value: **$399,338**

Fair Market rent for a 2-bedroom apartment: **$1,677**

A salary of $50,200 can buy a home like this: **$180,000**

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

A salary of $63,806 can buy a home like this: **$307,000**

*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

4 YEARS EARLIER

63 All careers average retirement age

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

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