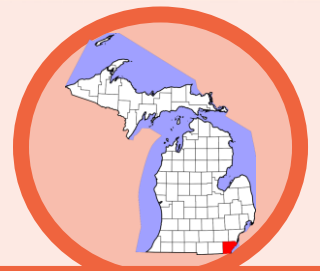


# A TEACHER'S LIFE BY THE NUMBERS



Monroe County, MI

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

## SALARY

Base Salary →

Plus

The average wage of all full-time workers in the county: **\$55,172\***



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

**\$40,000-  
\$44,645**



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

**\$71,667-  
\$78,000**



Data from 2022-2023

**\$1,020-  
\$6,500**

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



**\$682-  
\$6,594**

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

## HOUSING

Median home value: **\$216,298\***



Fair Market rent for a 2-bedroom apartment: **\$899\***



A salary of **\$42,300** can buy a home like this: ★



**\$143,500**

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

A salary of **\$74,800** can buy a home like this: ★



**\$346,000**

\*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

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