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: $66,092*

Base Salary

1st Year Teacher with a B.A. $43,500-$45,240

15th Year Teacher with a M.A.+ $84,852-$91,779

Data from 2022-2023

Plus

FOR LARGE COMMITMENTS like head coach, debate, or band

$1,839-$9,600

FOR SMALL COMMITMENTS like robotics club or yearbook

$783-$9,500

**HOUSING**

Median home value: $354,218*

Fair Market rent for a 2-bedroom apartment: $1,264*

A salary of $66,000 can buy a home like this:★

$242,000

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

A salary of $88,000 can buy a home like this:★

$400,000

*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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