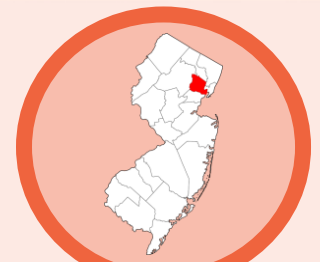


A TEACHER'S LIFE BY THE NUMBERS



Essex County, NJ

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

SALARY

Base Salary →

The average wage of all full-time workers in the county: **\$83,824***



1st Year Teacher with a B.A.

**\$53,578-
\$65,107**



15th Year Teacher with a M.A.+

**\$84,000-
\$107,607**



Data from 2022-2024

Plus

**\$2,593-
\$12,251**

FOR LARGE COMMITMENTS like head coach, debate, or band



**\$527-
\$15,000**

FOR SMALL COMMITMENTS like robotics club or yearbook

HOUSING

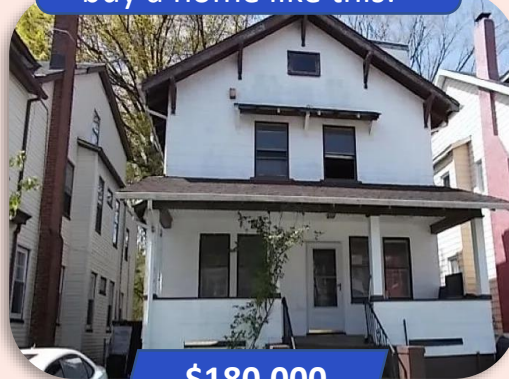
Median home value: **\$504,427***



Fair Market rent for a 2-bedroom apartment: **\$1,643***



A salary of **\$59,300** can buy a home like this:★



\$180,000

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

A salary of **\$95,800** can buy a home like this:★



\$350,000

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