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

### SALARY

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<td>$60,855-64,770</td>
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Data from 2024-2025

- The **average wage** of all full-time workers in the county: **$81,120**
- **Median home value**: **$579,131**
- Fair Market rent for a 2-bedroom apartment: **$2,276**

### HOUSING

- A salary of $62,800 can buy a home like this: **$190,000**
- A salary of $93,200 can buy a home like this: **$405,000**

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

### RETIREMENT

- Teacher average retirement age: **59**
- All careers average retirement age: **63**

*4 YEARS EARLIER*

Most teaching jobs have better retirement benefits than other jobs you can get with the same degree.

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