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

**SALARY**

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The average wage of all full-time workers in the county: $57,252*

Base Salary

Data from 2023-2024

**Plus**

- $3,150-$7,000 FOR COACHING like head coach or assistant coach
- $500-$4,200 FOR CLUBS like band, robotics, or yearbook

**HOUSING**

- Median home value: $200,267*  
- Fair Market rent for a 2-bedroom apartment: $1,214*  

A salary of $62,800 can buy a home like this:*  

- $230,000  
- *With a 5% down payment, spending 36% of their income on housing

A salary of $102,800 can buy a home like this:*  

- $415,000  
- *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.

- Teacher average retirement age: 59  
- All careers average retirement age: 63  
- 4 YEARS EARLIER

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