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

### Salary

**Base Salary**

- 1st Year Teacher with a B.A.
  - $44,355 - $62,643
- 15th Year Teacher with a M.A.+
  - $81,474 - $104,460

Data from 2022-2023

**Plus**

- $1,955 - $6,987
  - FOR LARGE COMMITMENTS like head coach, debate, or band
- $937 - $5,415
  - FOR SMALL COMMITMENTS like robotics club or yearbook

### Housing

- Median home value: $418,000*
- Fair Market rent for a 2-bedroom apartment: $973*

**A salary of $54,000 can buy a home like this:**

- $205,000

**A salary of $95,000 can buy a home like this:**

- $451,000

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

*With a 20% down payment, spending 36% of their income on housing

### Retirement

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

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

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