

Table 76.—Estimated average annual salary of teachers in public elementary and secondary schools, by state: 1969–70 to 1998–99

State	Current dollars							Constant 1998–99 dollars						Percent change, 1989–90 to 1998–99 in constant dollars
	1969–70	1979–80	1989–90	1995–96	1996–97	1997–98	1998–99	1969–70	1979–80	1989–90	1995–96	1996–97	1997–98	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
United States	\$8,626	\$15,970	\$31,367	\$37,704	\$38,536	\$39,454	\$40,582	\$37,574	\$33,848	\$40,647	\$40,155	\$39,902	\$40,137	-0.2
Alabama	6,818	13,060	24,828	31,313	32,549	32,818	35,820	29,698	27,680	32,174	33,348	33,703	33,386	11.3
Alaska	10,560	27,210	43,153	49,171	50,647	47,601	46,845	45,998	57,671	55,920	52,367	52,443	48,425	-16.2
Arizona	8,711	15,054	29,402	32,483	33,685	34,411	35,025	37,944	31,907	38,101	34,594	34,879	35,007	-8.1
Arkansas	6,307	12,299	22,352	29,533	30,578	31,592	32,350	27,472	26,068	28,965	31,453	31,662	32,139	11.7
California	10,315	18,020	37,998	42,259	42,992	44,585	45,400	44,931	38,193	49,240	45,006	44,516	45,357	-7.8
Colorado	7,761	16,205	30,758	35,364	36,271	37,240	38,025	33,806	34,346	39,858	37,663	37,557	37,885	-4.6
Connecticut	9,262	16,229	40,461	50,254	50,426	50,730	51,584	40,344	34,397	52,432	53,520	52,214	51,608	-1.6
Delaware	9,015	16,148	33,377	40,533	41,436	42,439	43,164	39,268	34,225	43,252	43,168	42,905	43,174	-0.2
District of Columbia	10,285	22,190	38,402	43,700	45,012	46,350	47,150	44,800	47,031	49,764	46,540	46,608	47,152	-5.3
Florida	8,412	14,149	28,803	33,330	33,889	34,475	35,196	36,641	29,989	37,325	35,496	35,091	35,072	-5.7
Georgia	7,276	13,853	28,006	34,002	35,596	37,569	39,675	31,693	29,361	36,292	36,212	36,858	38,219	9.3
Hawaii	9,453	19,920	32,047	35,807	35,842	38,377	40,377	41,176	42,220	41,528	38,134	37,113	39,041	-2.8
Idaho	6,890	13,611	23,861	30,892	31,820	32,834	34,063	30,012	28,848	30,921	32,900	32,948	33,402	10.2
Illinois	9,569	17,601	32,794	40,919	42,125	43,690	45,569	41,681	37,305	42,496	43,579	43,619	44,446	7.2
Indiana	8,833	15,599	30,902	37,675	38,845	39,750	41,163	38,475	33,062	40,045	40,124	40,222	40,438	2.8
Iowa	8,355	15,203	26,747	32,372	33,272	34,084	34,927	36,393	32,223	34,660	34,476	34,452	34,674	0.8
Kansas	7,612	13,690	28,744	35,023	35,739	36,811	37,405	33,157	29,016	37,248	37,299	37,006	37,448	0.4
Kentucky	6,953	14,520	26,292	33,080	33,949	34,613	35,526	30,286	30,775	34,071	35,230	35,153	35,212	4.3
Louisiana	7,028	13,760	24,300	27,530	29,025	30,090	32,510	30,613	29,164	31,489	29,319	30,054	30,611	3.2
Maine	7,572	13,071	26,881	32,869	33,676	34,349	34,906	32,982	27,704	34,834	35,005	34,870	34,944	0.2
Maryland	9,383	17,558	36,319	41,160	41,148	41,739	42,526	40,871	37,214	47,064	43,835	42,607	42,462	-9.6
Massachusetts	8,764	17,253	34,712	41,408	42,650	43,930	45,075	38,175	36,567	44,982	44,099	44,162	44,690	0.2
Michigan	9,826	19,663	37,072	46,832	47,181	47,500	48,207	42,801	41,675	48,040	49,876	48,854	48,322	0.3
Minnesota	8,658	15,912	32,190	36,922	38,115	37,932	39,458	37,713	33,725	41,714	39,322	39,466	38,589	-5.4
Mississippi	5,798	11,850	24,292	27,692	27,720	28,692	29,530	25,255	25,116	31,479	29,492	28,703	29,189	-6.2
Missouri	7,799	13,682	27,094	32,322	33,155	33,946	34,746	33,971	28,999	35,110	34,423	34,330	34,534	-1.0
Montana	7,606	14,537	25,081	29,364	29,958	30,620	31,356	33,131	30,811	32,501	31,273	31,020	31,150	-3.5
Nebraska	7,375	13,516	25,522	31,496	31,768	32,668	32,880	32,124	28,647	33,073	33,543	32,894	33,234	-0.6
Nevada	9,215	16,295	30,590	36,167	37,340	37,094	38,883	40,139	34,537	39,640	38,518	38,664	37,736	-1.9
New Hampshire	7,771	13,017	28,986	35,792	36,029	36,663	37,405	33,849	27,589	37,562	38,118	37,306	37,298	-0.4
New Jersey	9,130	17,161	35,676	48,751	49,786	50,442	51,193	39,769	36,372	46,231	51,920	51,551	51,315	10.7
New Mexico	7,796	14,887	24,756	29,074	30,131	30,152	32,398	33,958	31,553	32,080	30,964	31,199	30,674	1.0
New York	10,336	19,812	38,925	48,115	48,000	48,712	49,437	45,022	41,991	50,441	51,242	49,702	49,555	-2.0
North Carolina	7,494	14,117	27,883	30,411	31,167	33,129	36,098	32,643	29,921	36,133	32,388	32,272	33,703	-0.1
North Dakota	6,696	13,263	23,016	26,969	27,711	28,230	28,976	29,167	28,111	29,826	28,722	28,693	28,719	-2.8
Ohio	8,300	15,269	31,218	37,835	38,676	38,985	40,566	36,154	32,362	40,454	40,294	40,047	39,660	0.3
Oklahoma	6,882	13,107	23,070	28,404	30,369	30,692	31,149	29,977	27,780	29,896	30,250	31,446	31,223	4.2
Oregon	8,818	16,266	30,840	39,706	40,960	42,200	42,833	38,410	34,476	39,964	42,287	42,412	42,931	7.2
Pennsylvania	8,858	16,515	33,338	46,087	47,148	47,542	48,457	38,584	35,003	43,201	49,083	48,820	48,365	12.2
Rhode Island	8,776	18,002	36,057	41,765	43,019	44,300	45,650	38,227	38,155	46,725	44,480	44,544	45,067	-2.3
South Carolina	6,927	13,063	27,217	31,622	32,830	33,697	34,506	30,173	27,687	35,269	33,677	33,994	34,280	-2.2
South Dakota	6,403	12,348	21,300	26,346	26,764	27,875	28,552	27,890	26,171	27,602	28,058	27,713	28,358	3.4
Tennessee	7,050	13,972	27,052	33,126	34,222	35,340	36,500	30,709	29,613	35,056	35,279	35,435	35,952	4.1
Texas	7,255	14,132	27,496	32,001	33,038	34,133	35,041	31,602	29,953	35,631	34,081	34,209	34,724	-1.7
Utah	7,644	14,909	23,686	30,588	31,867	32,394	32,950	33,296	31,599	30,694	32,576	32,997	32,955	7.4
Vermont	7,968	12,484	29,012	36,295	36,053	36,299	36,800	34,707	26,460	37,596	38,654	37,331	36,927	-2.1
Virginia	8,070	14,060	30,938	34,792	35,536	36,654	37,475	35,152	29,800	40,091	37,053	36,796	37,289	-6.5
Washington	9,225	18,820	30,457	37,853	37,815	38,765	38,692	40,183	39,889	39,468	40,313	39,156	39,436	-2.0
West Virginia	7,650	13,710	22,842	32,155	33,250	33,397	34,244	33,322	29,058	29,600	34,245	34,429	33,975	15.7
Wisconsin	8,963	16,006	31,921	38,182	39,057	39,357	40,657	39,041	33,924	41,365	40,664	40,442	40,038	-1.7
Wyoming	8,232	16,012	28,141	31,571	31,715	32,022	33,500	35,857	33,937	36,467	33,623	32,839	32,576	-8.1

NOTE: Constant 1998–99 dollars based on the Consumer Price Index prepared by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor. Price index does not account for different rates of change in the cost of living among states. Some data have been revised from previously published figures.

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