

**Table 78.—Estimated average annual salary of teachers in public elementary and secondary schools: 1959–60 to 1997–98**

School year	Current dollars			Constant 1997–98 dollars <sup>1</sup>		
	All teachers	Elementary teachers	Secondary teachers	All teachers	Elementary teachers	Secondary teachers
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1959–60 .....	\$4,995	\$4,815	\$5,276	\$27,496	\$26,505	\$29,042
1961–62 .....	5,515	5,340	5,775	29,676	28,735	31,075
1963–64 .....	5,995	5,805	6,266	31,439	30,443	32,860
1965–66 .....	6,485	6,279	6,761	32,873	31,828	34,272
1967–68 .....	7,423	7,208	7,692	35,304	34,281	36,583
1969–70 .....	8,626	8,412	8,891	36,934	36,018	38,069
1970–71 .....	9,268	9,021	9,568	37,735	36,729	38,957
1971–72 .....	9,705	9,424	10,031	38,146	37,041	39,427
1972–73 .....	10,174	9,893	10,507	38,441	37,379	39,699
1973–74 .....	10,770	10,507	11,077	37,361	36,449	38,426
1974–75 .....	11,641	11,334	12,000	36,354	35,395	37,475
1975–76 .....	12,600	12,280	12,937	36,748	35,814	37,730
1976–77 .....	13,354	12,989	13,776	36,801	35,795	37,964
1977–78 .....	14,198	13,845	14,602	36,665	35,753	37,708
1978–79 .....	15,032	14,681	15,450	35,494	34,665	36,480
1979–80 .....	15,970	15,569	16,459	33,272	32,437	34,291
1980–81 .....	17,644	17,230	18,142	32,944	32,171	33,874
1981–82 .....	19,274	18,853	19,805	33,126	32,402	34,039
1982–83 .....	20,695	20,227	21,291	34,103	33,332	35,086
1983–84 .....	21,935	21,487	22,554	34,857	34,145	35,840
1984–85 .....	23,600	23,200	24,187	36,090	35,478	36,987
1985–86 .....	25,199	24,718	25,846	37,455	36,740	38,417
1986–87 .....	26,569	26,057	27,244	38,634	37,889	39,615
1987–88 .....	28,034	27,519	28,798	39,142	38,423	40,209
1988–89 .....	29,564	29,022	30,218	39,456	38,733	40,329
1989–90 .....	31,367	30,832	32,049	39,956	39,274	40,824
1990–91 .....	33,084	32,490	33,896	39,958	39,241	40,939
1991–92 .....	34,063	33,479	34,827	39,863	39,180	40,757
1992–93 .....	35,029	34,350	35,880	39,752	38,981	40,718
1993–94 .....	35,737	35,233	36,566	39,531	38,974	40,448
1994–95 .....	36,685	36,160	37,468	39,449	38,885	40,291
1995–96 .....	37,716	37,295	38,371	39,484	39,043	40,170
1996–97 .....	38,554	38,193	39,137	39,242	38,874	39,835
1997–98 .....	39,385	39,075	39,889	39,385	39,075	39,889

<sup>1</sup>Based on the Consumer Price Index, prepared by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor.

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