

Florida Educator Pay Report

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Florida State Snapshot

Key 2024-25 Averages:

	State (\$)	Rank	National (\$)
Starting Teacher Salary	49,435	19	48,112
Teacher Salary	56,663	50	74,495
K-12 ESP Earnings	34,645	27	36,360
Higher Ed ESP Earnings	43,070	40	47,029
Higher Ed Faculty Salary	111,209	12	107,874

Average Teacher Salary

In **2024-25**, the average teacher salary in **Florida** was **\$56,663**, a **3.3%** change from the previous year. From 2014-15 to 2024-25, the average teacher salary in **Florida** fell **12.4%** in inflation-adjusted dollars. The Economic Policy Institute provides two measures to add context to salary averages:

- The teacher pay gap—In **Florida**, teachers earn **\$0.78** cents for every dollar earned by professionals with similar education levels.
- The minimum living wage—A family of one adult and one child would need an annual salary of at least **\$63,853** to have a modest but adequate standard of living in the state’s most affordable metro area.

Salary Tables

Florida Average Teacher Salary, 2014-15 to 2024-25

Year	Average Teacher Salary (\$)	Rank	Annual Change (%)	Annual % Change Rank	Inflation-adjusted Change Since 2015 (%)
2014-15	47,950	39	0.36	37	0.0
2015-16	48,179	40	0.48	39	-0.3
2016-17	47,858	44	-0.67	50	-2.9
2017-18	48,168	46	0.65	39	-4.6
2018-19	48,486	47	0.66	45	-5.8
2019-20	49,269	49	1.61	36	-5.6
2020-21	51,167	48	3.85	5	-4.8
2021-22	51,599	48	0.84	41	-10.9
2022-23	53,142	50	2.99	33	-12.9
2023-24	54,875	50	3.26	30	-12.9
2024-25	56,663	50	3.26	32	-12.4

Neighboring States Comparison, 2024-25

State	Average Teacher Salary (\$)	Rank	Annual Change (%)	Annual % Change Rank
Florida	56,663	50	3.26	32
Alabama	62,985	35	1.73	48
Georgia	71,524	21	5.74	6
Mississippi	54,975	51	2.37	43
North Carolina	60,323	43	3.48	27
South Carolina	64,050	32	5.41	8

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