

AVERAGE CLASSROOM TEACHERS' SALARY:			
TENNESSEE COMPARED TO SOUTHEASTERN STATES, 2007-08			
Rank	State	Average Classroom Teacher Salary	Dollars Above or Below Tennessee
	U.S. and D.C.	52,308	7,278
1	Georgia	51,560	6,530
2	North Carolina	47,354	2,324
3	Kentucky	47,207	2,177
	Southeast*	47,062	2,032
4	Louisiana	46,964	1,934
5	Florida	46,930	1,900
6	Virginia	46,796	1,766
7	Alabama	46,604	1,574
8	Arkansas	45,773	743
9	South Carolina	45,758	728
10	Tennessee	45,030	-
11	West Virginia	42,529	(2,501)
12	Mississippi	42,403	(2,627)

Source: National Education Association, Rankings and Estimates Web Analysis, June 16, 2009

Average Instructional Staff Salary:			
Tennessee compared to Southeastern states, 2007-08			
Rank	State	Average Instructional Staff Salary	Dollars Above or Below Tennessee
	U.S. and D.C.	54,170	7,411
1	Georgia	54,140	7,381
2	Kentucky	50,823	4,064
3	Louisiana	49,047	2,288
4	Alabama	48,900	2,141
	Southeast*	48,788	2,029
5	Virginia	48,665	1,906
6	Florida	48,330	1,571
7	South Carolina	48,127	1,368
8	North Carolina	47,354	595
9	Arkansas	47,075	316
10	Tennessee	46,759	-
11	West Virginia	44,383	(2,376)
12	Mississippi	42,906	(3,853)

Source: National Education Association, Rankings and Estimates Web Analysis, June 16, 2009

*The Southeast Average is calculated from data in NEA Rankings and Estimates Web Analysis. This average is weighted by the total number of teachers/instructional staff in each state.