

In the eastern half of Kansas the salaries of elementary teachers for 1943-44 are distinctly lower than in the western half of the State. This difference averages more than five dollars per month in rural and third class city schools; about two dollars in city schools of first and second class. A similar inferiority is found in the salaries of high school teachers in rural and third class city high schools in eastern Kansas. This difference between average (median) salaries in these two divisions of the State is seventeen dollars per month, which is equivalent to \$153. per year. The higher average salaries in western Kansas high schools pertain to all subjects excepting only athletics. The salary difference, though much smaller, is in the same direction with reference to high school teachers in cities of first and second class. Even with no cities of the first class west of a middle dividing line, the salaries of high school teachers in cities of the second class in that area average ten dollars a year higher than in eastern Kansas. But the three largest cities in the latter area are not included in our tabulations.

Table I. Teachers' Salaries in Elementary Schools, Kansas 1943-1944.

Type of School	Number of Teachers	Median Salary Per Month	Middle Fifty Per Cent of Salaries
One-teacher (8 mo. basis)	2803	\$105.00	\$83.00 to \$121.00
Two-or-more teacher (9 mo.)	1206	125.00	110.00 -- 136.00
City schools (9 mo. basis)	1325	142.00	128.00 -- 155.00

In Table I, two-or-more teacher schools include the elementary schools in cities of the third class as well as in unincorporated communities. 'City Schools' refer to those in cities of first and second class. Teachers in one-teacher schools (2803 of them) nominally receive an average (median) salary of \$105.00 for eight months of school, or \$840.00 per school year (but, because of deductions, they do not actually receive that much). The middle fifty per cent indicates that one-fourth of them do not receive more than \$83.00 per month, that one-fourth of the number are paid \$121.00 or more, and that three-fourths receive not more than the latter amount. The monthly salary of teachers in graded schools is reported on a nine-month basis. Accordingly the average annual salary of teachers in two-or-more teacher elementary schools is \$1125 (9 x \$125.00); and in city schools \$1278, before the usual deductions are made.