Employer Contributions for Retirement Benefits and Social Security:
Public School Teachers and Private-Sector Managers and Professionals

Source: BLS, National Compensation Survey; Employer Costs for Employee Compensation;
Robert Costrell and Michael Podgursky, "Teacher Retirement Benefits," Education Next, Spring 2009
authors' estimate of teacher SS contributions, using BLS estimate of SS

public K-12 teachers private management & professional

percent of earnings

11.9 %
10.0 %
10.6 %
22.6 %