

**Table 1.33: Number of teaching hours per year in public institutions by level of education, 1998**

	Primary education ISCED 1	Lower secondary education ISCED 2	Upper secondary education ISCED 3 general programs	Upper secondary education ISCED 3 vocational programs
Australia	893	802	802	m
Austria	678	651	616	629
Belgium (Fl.)	781	691	644	947
Belgium (Fr.)	854	733	671	1008
Czech Republic	724	695	666	665
Denmark*	644	644	500	680
England	760	796	798	m
Finland	656	485	428	m
France	899	629	611	611
Germany	781	732	688	696
Greece	780	629	629	629
Hungary	583	555	555	555
Ireland	915	735	735	m
Italy	748	612	612	612
Korea	644	502	486	497
Mexico	800	832	m	m
Netherlands	975	910	910	875
New Zealand	713	611	505	589
Norway	985	985	874	a
Portugal	850	629	512	512
Scotland	975	917	x	a
Spain	788	545	545	545
Switzerland	883	860	676	726
Turkey	432	360	360	486
<b>United States</b>	958	964	943	943

Source: *OECD Education Database (2000)*.

Notes: Education data are based on the International Standard Classification for Education (ISCED). ISCED 1 corresponds to primary level or less than secondary education. Upper secondary education refers to ISCED 3 and cover A levels, Baccalaureat, Abitur or equivalent vocational education. For some countries, the end of ISCED 2 marks the end of compulsory schooling. For others, the boundary between ISCED 2 and ISCED 3 is less clear. Tertiary education (university and non-university programs) refers to ISCED 5-7.