Academic Year	1999/2000		2009/2010	
	Italy	OECD Average	Italy	OECD Average
Ratio of Students to Teach	ing Staff			
Pre-primary education	13	15.5	11.8	11.4
Primary education	11	17.7	11.3	15.8
Secondary education	10.3	14.3	12	13.8
Hours of Compulsory Edu	cation			
7-8 years old	т	m	891	774
9-11 years old	1 020	839	924	821
12-14 years old	1 020	935	1 023	899

Table 1 – Number of Teachers and Instruction Time

Source: OECD Education at a Glance (2012).

Note: The number of teachers reported by our source (OECD, Education at a Glance) excludes special teachers for disabled students while it includes the ones teaching Catholic Religion (see footnote 19). Teaching ours in 2000 refer to public institutions only. "m" stands for missing value.