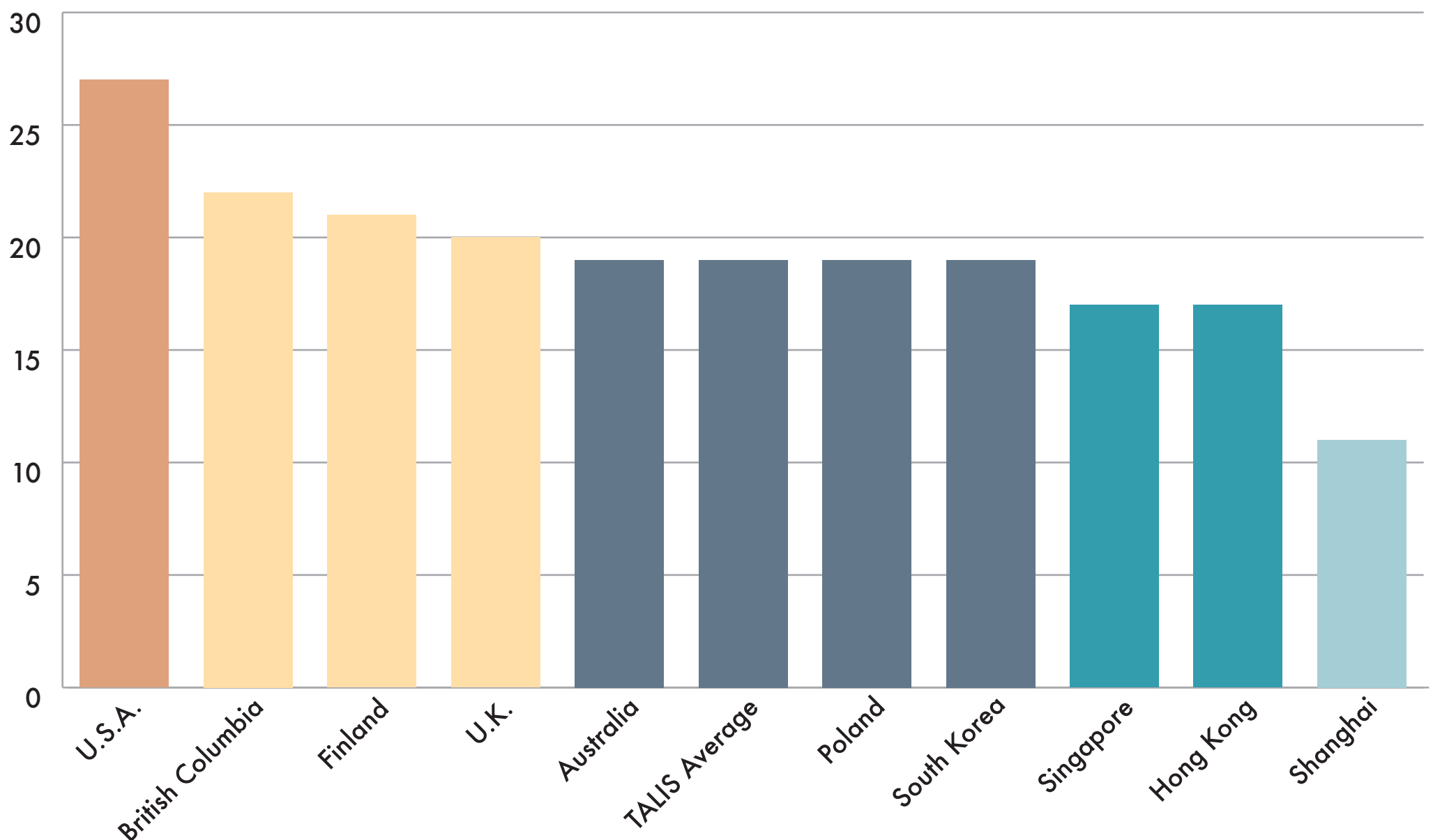


Teachers and Teaching Time

An International Comparison

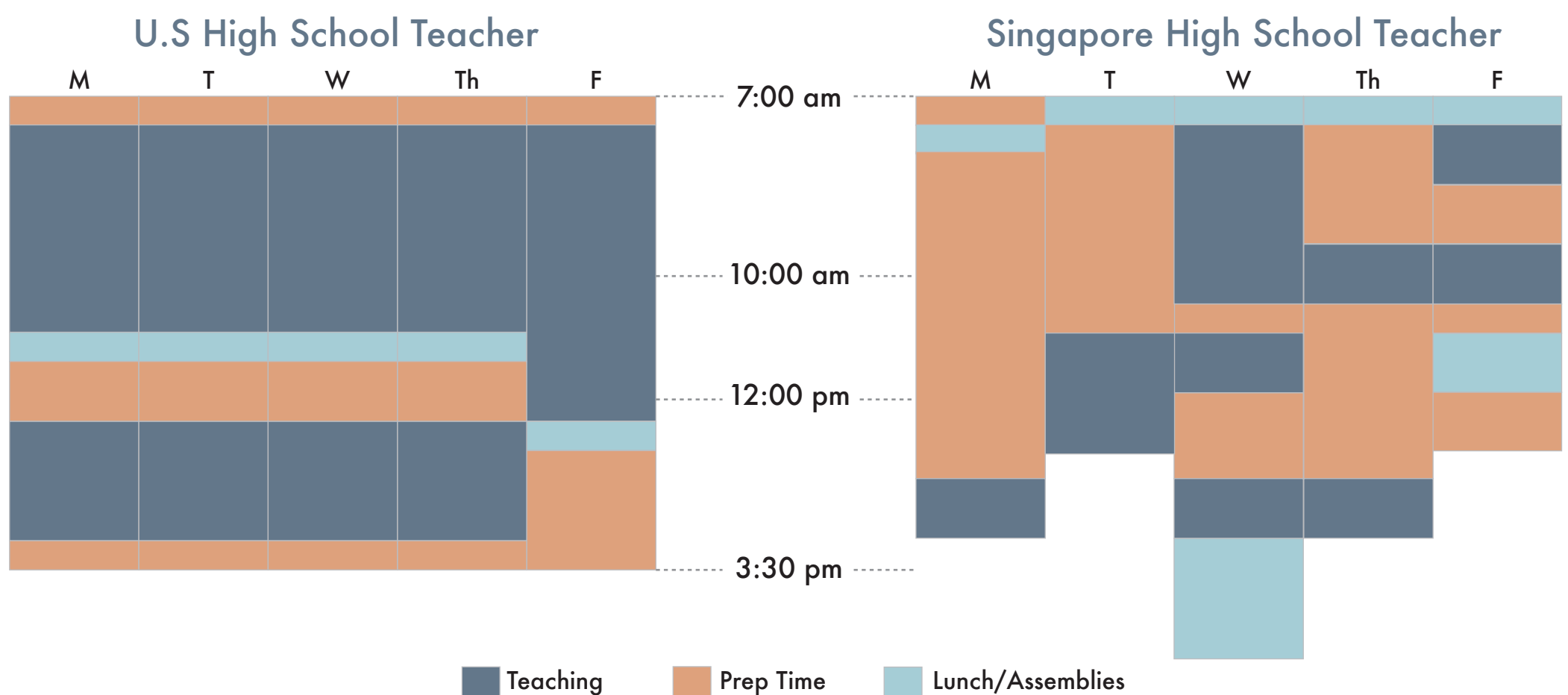
On Average, How Many Hours Per Week Do Teachers Spend Teaching?

Average Teaching Hours Per Week, by Country



Source: *Beyond PD: Teacher Professional Learning in High-Performing Systems*, Ben Jensen, CIEB 2016

What Does a Teaching Week Look Like for the Average Teacher?



Source: Interviews with U.S. teachers and Singapore teachers, from a forthcoming comparative study of teacher quality by Linda Darling-Hammond of the Stanford Center for Opportunity Policy in Education (SCOPE).

Compared to their colleagues in the U.S., teachers in high-performing systems have fewer teaching hours each week and more time to spend on improving their own teaching and learning. For more on the importance of creating time for professional learning in teachers' schedules, see CIEB's recent report [Beyond PD: Teacher Professional Learning in High-Performing Systems](#)