

**Table 25****Process quality ratings: Mean ECERS-R (1998), ITERS (1998) and FDCRS (1999) scores by province/territory<sup>1</sup>**

Province/Territory	ECERS-R <sup>2</sup>		ITERS <sup>2</sup>		FDCRS <sup>2</sup>	
	N	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean
<b>New Brunswick</b>	39	4.0	21	3.8	13	4.2
<b>Québec</b>	32	4.7	16	3.6	42	4.5
<b>Ontario</b>	39	4.9	19	4.1	39	3.9
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	33	4.1	18	4.2	40	4.5
<b>Alberta</b>	37	5.1	13	5.1	39	4.2
<b>British Columbia</b>	23	5.6	19	5.6	45	5.5
<b>Yukon</b>	12	4.9	9	5.2	13	4.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>4.5</b>

<sup>1</sup> *You Bet I Care!* was a national study of staffing and quality in child care centres and regulated family child care. This table presents mean total scores on the ECERS-R, the ITERS and the FDCRS quality rating scales of six provinces and one territory.

<sup>2</sup> The ECERS-R, ITERS and FDCRS are rated on a seven-point scale that is anchored by the following definitions provided by the authors of the scale:

*“Inadequate* describes care that does not even meet custodial care needs, *minimal* describes care that meets custodial and to some small degree basic developmental needs, *good* describes the basic dimensions of developmental care, and *excellent* describes high-quality, personalized care. The *inadequate (1)* and *minimal (3)* ratings usually focus on provision of basic materials and on health and safety precautions. The *good (5)* and *excellent (7)* ratings require positive interaction, planning, and personalized care, as well as good materials.” (Doherty, Lero, Goelman, Tougas, & LaGrange, 2000:41)