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Subject: Labeling mistakes in exposure to mass media variables in Zambia 2007 stata dataset

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I am Yunhee, graduate student of Johns Hopkins School of Public Health.

I have been doing data analysis with Zambia 2007 DHS dataset (stata format) and I wanted to know exposure to mass media among adolescent groups by tabulating such variables (v157,v158, v159). But I found labeling mistakes below and questions/answers seemed to be inconsistent with questions in DHS questionnaires. Could you help me clear about this?

< STATA dataset>

. tab v157

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frequency of reading |
newspaper or magazine |   Freq.   Percent   Cum.
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no education, preschool |   883    55.60    55.60
  primary |   233    14.67    70.28
  secondary |   261    16.44    86.71
  higher |   209    13.16    99.87
  9 |     2     0.13   100.00
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Total |  1,588   100.00
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: their answers were recorded as 0,1,2,3,9, which is not consistent with Zambia questionnaire itself and even compared with other countries' dataset.

< DHS questionnaires>

Do you read a newspaper or magazine almost every day, at least once a week, less than once a week or not at all?

ALMOST EVERY DAY . . . . .1

AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK . . . . .2

LESS THAN ONCE A WEEK . . . . .3

NOT AT ALL . . . . .4

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