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

| frequency of read newspaper or mag |  | Freq. | Percent | Cum. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| no education, preschool\| |  | 883 | 55.60 5 | 55.60 |
| primary \| | 233 | 14.67 | 70.28 |  |
| secondary | 261 | $1 \quad 16.44$ | $4 \quad 86.71$ |  |
| higher \| | 209 | 13.16 | 99.87 |  |
| 9 \| | 2 | 0.1310 | 00.00 |  |
| Total \| | 1,588 | 100.00 |  |  |

: 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

