Parental Knowledge of Friends

Student survey question S092 asks students if their parents know their friend's parents. Student survey question S099 asks students if their parents know friends. The following syntax reverse codes these questions, so that 1 is low and 4 is high, and creates an index of the two variables.

Please tell us how you feel about the following statements.

(CIRCLE ONE ON EACH LINE)

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
92) My parent(s) or guardian(s) know many of the parent(s) or guardian(s) of my closest school friends.	1	2	3	4
99) My parent(s) or guardian(s) know many of my closest school friends.	1	2	3	4

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if S092   = 1 parkfrp = 4 .
if S092   = 2 parkfrp = 3 .
if S092   = 3 parkfrp = 2 .
if S092   = 4 parkfrp = 1 .
variable label parkfrp 'Parents know parents of my close friends, from S092' .

if S099   = 1 parkfrd = 4 .
if S099   = 2 parkfrd = 3 .
if S099   = 3 parkfrd = 2 .
if S099   = 4 parkfrd = 1 .
variable label parkfrd 'Parents know my close friends, from S099' .

compute parFknow = mean(parkfrp , parkfrd ) .
variable label parFknow
 'Mean of Parents knowing friends and parents of friends, S092,S099' .
if S092   lt 0 parkfrp = S092   .
if S099   lt 0 parkfrd = S099   .
if missing(parFknow) parFknow = S092   .

add value labels parkfrp parkfrd parFknow
 1 'Strongly Disagree'
 2 'Disagree'
 3 'Agree'
 4 'Strongly Agree'
 -99797   'No more valid answers (possibly incomplete student survey)'
 -999     'Missing for some other reason (DK/Refused/Skipped Question)' .
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