Candidate 1 evidence

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1.	Influence of age on voting behaviour compared to previous elections Evidence from source A states, "Younger voters were more likely not to vote labour... unlike older voters who gave their support to the conservatives." This is backed up by Source C, which shows that ~~majority~~ ~~25-34 year olds voted labour, compared to~~ 47% of 25-34 year olds voted Labour, compared to ~~27%~~ 23% of 65+ voting Labour. This shows that older people are nearly half as likely to vote labour then young people. Source C also shows 10% of 25-34 voted conservative compared to 43% 65+ who voted conservative. This shows older people are 4 times more likely to vote conservative than young people.	
	Influence of social class on voting behaviour compared to previous elections Evidence from source A states, "voters in classes A and B tended to support the conservatives, whilst those in D and E were more likely to vote labour." This is backed up by	

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1.	~~Source C which shows 36% of So.~~ "In the 2024 election... labour won most votes in all social class categories". This is backed up by source C, which shows that ~~AB voters~~ 36% of AB voters voted labour and 26% voted conservative, compared to DE where 32% voted labour and 26% voted Conservative. This shows that there is no ~~longer a~~ strong influence of conservative ~~and~~ to AB, and that labour has had ~~majority votes in~~ the most votes in each social class.	
•	link between ~~Ba~~ Campaign Spending and voter turnout	
	Evidence from source A states, "political parties spent £94.5 million on campaigning, compared to £72.6 million in 2019. Another source (B) shows that the turnouts for the general election have decreased from under 70% in Scotland (2019) to under 60%. This shows that the increased amount of money spent on campaigning is ~~a~~ ineffective, as the turnouts have significantly increased for all UK countries.	

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2.0	Most influenced voting behaviour in the 2024 UK general election	
	Evidence from Source A states, "Labour won most votes in all Social class categories" This is backed up by Source C which shows that labour on average got around 36% of votes in each Social Class. Aswell as this, Labour is also significant in gender, as 34% of males voted labour and 35% women voted labour. This means that the most influenced voting behaviour in the 2024 general election was labour, as it was the most popular in ~~each~~ gender and social class.	

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2. One reason to support the statement that weak gun laws are the biggest cause of gun-related deaths in the USA comes from Source A which states, "they ranked Mississippi as a 'national failure' due to having the weakest laws and highest rate of gun deaths". This is backed up by Source B which shows that there is an average of 28.1 gun related deaths* in (per 100000 people) this state, which is nearly double the amount in Texas - 14.3 per 100 000 people.
*with a small gun law strength score of 4

Another reason to support this statement comes from source C which states, "A recent Gallup poll found that 57% of Americans want stricter gun laws." This is backed up by Source B, which shows that the gun law strength score in Illinois is 87, compared to Maine, with 33 which is less than half the strength of gun laws in Illinois, which makes ~~the~~ the majority of who voted stricter gun laws to be right, as there is a significant ~~the~~ inequality in each state.

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2, However one reason to oppose this statement is from Source C which states, "in 2024 Texas police shot and killed 144 people, ~~compared~~ compared to 114 in California" ~~Evidence~~ Evidence from Source C shows that despite a high amount of gun deaths due to police, Texas as 14.3 Gun-related deaths per 100 000 people, with 45.7% of the population owning a gun, and california with half of Texas' gun-related deaths (7.1). This shows that the police gun related deaths do not mean the gun laws are weak due to low amount of gun deaths.

To a large extent, it is accurate to state that weak gun laws are the biggest cause of gun-related deaths in the USA as Mississippi has the highest amount of gun-related deaths, with a low gun law strength score. However, some people would say that weak gun laws are ~~the~~ not the biggest cause due to police shooting people, but that only has a minor impact compared to the amount of deaths in low gun law strength laws in states.

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3, Source A is reliable because of its ~~high~~ large sample of peoples opinions, because it has a wide range of people, possibly sampled from different areas in the UK, making the information reliable. Another way this source is reliable because it was done by a polling company called Yougov. This is one of the most trusted polling companies in the UK. This makes ~~it trustworthy~~ the statistics published trustworthy as it is well-known.

Source B is not reliable as it is a newspaper. This means the information that is on newspapers can be biased, as they are not bineled by law. Therefore making the information unreliable. Another reason why Source B is unreliable is because it is the daily mail. Wikipedia in 2017 reported that the daily mail's information is not to be trusted, ~~especially~~ especially when its a right winged paper talking about Labour, which ~~may~~ makes the information become possibly biased.

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3, One reason why Source C is not reliable is because of the date it has been posted. Since it was posted 9 october 2024, the information may not be up to date with the current statistics, making it outdated piece of information. However one reason Source C might be reliable is because ageuk is popular due to the fact that recieved 14.2k views, which is ~~cute~~ quite significant for a pressure group.

In conclusion, the most reliable source is source A. Source A is more reliable than source B because source A has gathered information from thousands of people, compared to B that has only had one person write the newspaper, making it less trustworthy than A.
Source A is more reliable than source C because over 4000 ~~per~~ people participated in the polling, compared to C only getting 14000 views, which most of them may have not participated in the petition as it is not clear. to how many As well as this, Source C lacks information, compared to A which was the public's opinion. This makes source A the most reliable.

Candidate 2 evidence

1. One conclusion that can be made about the influence of age on voting behaviour compared to previous elections is that young people continued to vote for Labour. Evidence to support this comes from Source A which says "In the 2024 election, as in all general elections younger voters were more likely to vote Labour, unlike older voters who gave their support to the Conservatives." This can be backed up by Source C which shows that 44% of people aged 18-24 voters for Labour in the 2024 election and 43% of people aged 65+ voters for Conservatives.

One conclusion that can be made about the influence of Social Class on voting behaviour

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Compared to Previous elections is that unlike Previous elections Labour Won in all Social Classes. Evidence to support this comes from Source A which says "In most general elections this century, Voters in classes A and B tended to Sepport the Conservatives whilst those in D and E were more likely to Vote Labour. In the 2024 election, Labour won the most Votes in all Social classes for the first time." This can be backed up by Source C which shows Labour has the highest amount of Votes in all Social classes with 36% in AB and C1, 31% in C2 and 32% in DE.

One Conclusion that can be made about the link between campaign Spending and Voter turnout is as Parties

have spent more nowadays, turnout has decreased. Evidence to support this comes from Source A which says " in the 2024 election, according to the Electoral Commission, Political Parties spent £94.5 million on campaigning, compared to £72.6 million in 2019." This can be backed up by Source B which shows the highest turnout in 2019 was just under 70% and turnout in 2024 was around 60%.

An overall conclusion that can be made about the factor that most influences voting behaviour is gender. Evidence to support this comes from Source C which shows that more women voted Conservatives than men but Labour had similar votes amongst men and women.

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2. One reason to support the statement that weak gun laws are the biggest cause of gun related deaths in the USA comes from Source A which says "In 2024, they rated Mississipi as a 'national failure' due to having the weakest laws and highest rate of gun-related deaths". This can be backed up by Source B which shows Mississipi had a gun law strength score of 4.0 and had the highest amount of gun-related deaths with 28.1.

One reason to oppose the view comes from Source A which says "They point to mental illness as the major cause of gun-related deaths and claim most homicides and suicides are mainly mental health related." This can be backed

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	up by Source C which says "President Trump claimed that such tragedies were not caused by weak gun laws, but by untreated mental illness."	
	Another reason to support the view comes from Source A which says "Some States, such as California and Illinois have strict laws regulating the possession of guns." This can be backed up by Source B which shows California has the lowest gun related deaths with 7.1.	
	Another reason to oppose the view comes from Source C which says "They argue that high rates of poverty and gun related deaths go hand in hand." This can be backed up by Source B which shows Mississippi has the highest poverty	

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rate with 18% and the highest amount of gun-related deaths with 28.1.

Overall it is mostly inaccurate to say that weak gun laws are the biggest cause of gun-related deaths in the USA. On the one hand Mississippi had the lowest gun law strength score and the highest amount of gun-related deaths. Although on the other hand Mississippi also has the highest Poverty rate and many gun-related deaths are due to mental health. Therefore Poverty and mental illness are the biggest cause of gun-related deaths in the USA.

3. Source A can be considered reliable. The source is more reliable as it was conducted

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by ~~[illegible]~~ YouGov who are a well respected international polling company ~~[illegible]~~ used by many media outlets. The source has 4,670 respondents, this makes it more reliable as it is representative of the populations views on the Winter fuel Payment.

Source B can be considered unreliable. This is because it was published by the Daily Mail who are a right-wing leaning Newspaper meaning they will be biased against Keir Starmer and the Labour Parties Center left policies. The article was published by James Tapsfield which makes it less reliable as it is one persons view on Labours Winter fuel policy.

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Source C can be considered somewhat reliable. It was published by Age UK who are a pressure group, this means they will be experts on their cause of helping older people. However, it was published in October 2024 meaning information may have changed since and statistics may be different.

Overall Source A is the most reliable as it was published by YouGov who are a well respected international polling company with reference for balance. Source B is less reliable as it is biased and Source A is not. Source A is more reliable than Source C as it is more up to date.

Candidate 3 evidence

1.

Labour was the most popular party in the 2024 general election no matter your social class. This is proven in source A which states "In the 2024 general election, Labour win the most votes in all social class categories for the first time." This suggests that social class no longer plays a role in why a person may vote for a particular party. This is supported in source C which illustrates that social class AB voted 36% labour compared to only 26% conservative. This suggests that actually more people from a wealthy family voted for Labour, therefore social class linked with voting has changed overtime as those from social class A/B used to always vote for conservative. Inconclusion , there is not as a strong tie with social class and voting bas voting behaviour has changed overtime.

Younger voters are most likely to vote for the labour party as their ideas and aims fit most with the younger generation. This is proven in source A which states "in the 2024 election, as in all recent general elections, younger voters were most likely to vote labour due to their policies, unlike older voters who gave their support for the conservatives." This suggests that the majority of the support for the labour party comes from the younger generation and the majority of the support for the conservative party comes from the older generation. This is supported in source C which illustrates that in the 2024 general election 41% of 18-24 year olds voted labour compared to only 5% and that only 23% of 65+ voters voted labour compared to 43% voting conservative. This suggests that a large proportion of older votes go to the conservative party as they are more traditional and match with their ideas the best. Inconclusion, the labour party largely targets the younger generation and the conservative party targets the older generation.

Campaign spending means less people vote. This is supported by Source A which states that "in the 2024 election, according to the Electoral commission, political parties spent £94.5 million on campaigning compared to £72.6 million in 2019. This suggests that overtime, parties have spent more money on campaigning and advocating for their party. This is supported in source B which illustrates that in 2024 when parties spent more money on campaigning only around 55% of voters voted in the general election compared to around 65.3% in 2019 when there was less money spent on campaigning. This suggests that there is loess voting turnout when more money is spent on campaigning because the majority of it is online and, on the TV, therefore older people don't see as much of it compared to when it was largely advertised in the newspaper. Overall, campaigning means that there is less voting.

Overall, age was the most significant factor that influenced voting behaviour. This is further supported in Source A which states "in the 2024 election, in all recent general elections, younger voters were more likely to vote labour due to their policies, unlike older voters who gave their

support to the conservative party." This implies that your age really determines what party you vote for due to how they match your needs. For example, labour is most likely toa align with the younger population due to their financial interests.

2. Weak gun laws lead to the most death. This is proven in source A which states "Some states, such as California, and illinois, have strict laws regulating the possessions of guns. Others, for instance Alabama, take a weaker approach and allow citizens much easier access to the same type of weapons." This suggests that countries with the most deaths are a result of gun violence. This is supported in source B which illustrates that Alabama, a state which has weak gun laws have 24.0 gun related deaths compared to California with only 7.1 gun related deaths. This suggests that states with strict gun laws have the least amount of gun related deaths. Overall, it is largely accurate to say that weak gun laws are the biggest cause of gun-related deaths.

   However, it is less accurate to say that weak gun laws are the biggest cause of death because poverty leads to deaths as well. This is proven in source C which states "They argue that high rates of poverty and gun-related deaths go hand in hand." This suggests that poverty as a cause of death and gun violence as a cause of death are just as bad as one another and both lead to the same level of violence and death. This is supported in source B which illustrates that in Florida that poverty rate is 12.3% and Gun related deaths per 100,000 people is 13.2. These statistics are very close in number therefore this suggests that it would be inaccurate to say that gun violence is the biggest cause of death in America. In conclusion, it is partially inaccurate to say that gun violence is the most significant cause of death in America and that Poverty and gun violence are just as important as one another as a result of death.

   Ownership of guns lead to the most death therefore gun violence is a significant cause of death in America. This is proven in source C which states "In 2024, Texas police shot and killed 144 people, compared to 114 in California and nine in New Hampshire." This implies that a state with the biggest presence of guns, like Texas has the most deaths compared to states like California which has very few deaths as they have more strict gun laws. This is supported in source C which illustrates that Texas has 45.7% of gun ownership therefore 14.3 gun related deaths compared to California with only 28.3% of Gun ownership therefore only 7.1% of gun-related deaths. This suggests that states with stricter gun laws have less deaths compared to states with weaker gun laws which have the most deaths. In conclusion, it is mostly accurate to say that weak gun laws are the biggest cause of death in America as California a state with strict gun laws has much less deaths compared to Texas who has weak gun laws therefore more deaths.

Overall conclusion-

3. Source A is reliable because it has a large sample size. Source A researched into 4,670 adults, this is reliable because the polling company has gathered a wide range of opinions therefore has gained information from a large population which implies that the source focuses on all different possible viewpoints rather than a small amount who may all have the same views. Source A is also reliable because it was conducted by an official organisation. Source A was conducted by YouGov, this is reliable as it is an official government website therefore they are highly skilled and very professional which carry out closely analysed research. Overall, Source A is very reliable.

   Source B is not reliable because it contains bias. Source C was conducted by the daily mail which means that they may lean towards a particular party they are in favour of therefore make another party look bad, this is not reliable because it may contain inaccurate information. Source C can be reliable as it is in-date. Source C was produced in 2024, this is reliable because the source is likely to follow current issues and is up-to-date with new research made therefore we can still use this information today. Overall, source C is some what reliable.

   Source C is not reliable because it was conducted by an independent organisation. Source C was produced by Age UK, this is a pressure group. This is not reliable because it could contain bias in favour of their own aims and interests. However, source C can be reliable as it is in-date. Source C was conducted in 2024, this is recent therefore the source can still be used as research purposes because it follows recent issues. Overall, source C is somewhat reliable.

   In conclusion, Source A is the most reliable. Source A is more reliable than source B because it does not contain bias. Source A is professional and involves highly skilled researches compared to the daily mail which may include opinions rather than fact. Source A is more reliable than source C because source C was conducted by a organisation which can also contain possible bias.

Candidate 4 evidence

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Question 1 - Conclusion

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- One conclusion I can form about the influence of age on voting behaviour compared to previous election is that ~~was~~ Recently young people are more likley to vote labour. This is shown in sarce A, which states "In all recent elections ... their policies." this is backed up by sarce C which shaw us that people aged 25-34 had a ~~47~~ 47% Labour vote whereas people older such as 65+ only had a 23% Labour vote. Therefo showing that young people are ~~more~~ more likley to vote Labour as ~~there was a 24% increase from~~ there was a 24% increase from 65+ to 25-34 year olds.

- One conclusion I can form on the influence of social class on voting behaviour compared to previous elections is that the way that AB ~~social~~ social classes vote has changed in

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previous elections. In source A it states that "In most general elects this century, voters in classes AB tended to ~~vote~~ support conservatives." We can see this has changed in source C as we see that Labour now has the most votes in the 2024 election. Therefore showing that voting behaviour has changed compared to previous elections as 36 is higher than 26.

One conclusion I can form about the link between campaign spending and voter turnout is that ~~campaign~~ campaign spending is ineffective. In source A ~~we can see~~ it states that political parties spent £94.5mil on campaigny ~~spending~~ in 2024 which is a huge increase from £72.6mil in 2019. In source B we can see that since 2019 the voter turnout has significantly decrease. Therefore

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	campaign spending is ineffective since we see that the % turnout has decreased by over 6% in recent years meaning not many people are influenced by the campign. And the money they spend is getting wasted.	
	An overall conclusion I can form is that young people was the factor that influenced the most in voting behaviours as in source C we see lots of votes for 18-~~25~~ 34 yrs old.	

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Question 2 - Objectivity.

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To a large extent it is accurate to state that weak gun laws are the biggest cause of gun-related deaths. As in source A it states that California have strict gun laws and that Alabama have weaker gun laws. In Source B we can see that Alabama have 24.0 Gun related deaths per 100,000 which is large increase compared to California only having 7.1. This shows that stricter gun laws reduces the rate of gun related deaths as there is a 17 extra deaths per year in states with weaker gun laws.

To no extent. is it accurate to state that weak gun laws are the biggest cause of gun-related deaths in the USA. Source A states that "mental illness is the major cause of gun related deaths". This

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is backed up in Source C which states "President trump claimed... illness". This shows that mental illness is a big factor and weak gun laws might not be the problem.

It is to a large extent that weak gun laws are the biggest cause to gun-related deaths in USA. In Source A states that Mississippi has the weakest gun laws but the highest rate of gun-related deaths. Backed up by source C which states "57% of americans want stricter gun laws". The link between this is that the majority of americans want stricter gun laws, therfore suggesting they dont feel safe and gun deaths are high

More evidence to support is that 55.5% Alabama own a gun and they have 24 gun-related deaths

one reason to oppose is that
it in source A says 46,728
gun related deaths arond 60% c
were classed as suicide

Overall, it is accurate ~~that~~ to
state that weak gun laws are the
biggest cause of gun-related deaths
as sorce A "gun ~~rights~~ owners
should be protected"

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Question 3.

To a large extent source A is reliable as it is published by YouGov, which is a polling company, that is controlled by the goverment meaning its likley to be true and not contain bias as it is checked before published. It is Also up to date as it was published in may 2025 which is very recent meaning the information conducted is more reliable and current to the time period. A large sample size (4,670) is a accurate representation of the adult population.

Source B is reliable to a small extent as it was published by The daily mail union is a UK national newspaper, this newspaper is private meaning it can contain bias and a stigma of opinion. However it was published in

~~200~~ September 2024 which isnt too out of date meaning the information is mostly accurate.

Source C is reliable to no extent as it is published by age UK a pressure group, which indicates, its very likley to be bias and just have their opinion included. Also a facebook page created by someone we dont know therefore meaning they can just write whatever they like, could be untrue.

Overall source A is the most reliable as it is proffesional and up to date. It also shows statistics to help us