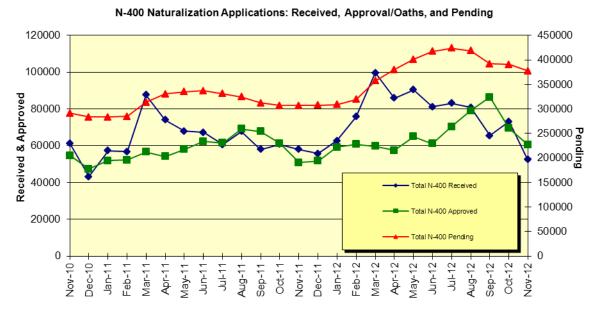
CHART NAME: NATURALIZATION BENEFITS

WHAT IT DISPLAYS: The below chart provides data on the Applications for Naturalization (Form N-400) received by USCIS for the month of November 2012.

WHAT IT SHOWS: Naturalization receipts in November 2012 decreased 10 percent when compared to November 2011, while approvals/oath increased by 19 percent and denials increased 26 percent.

	Month			Fiscal Year			Total
Naturalization Applications	November 2012	November 2011	% Change	FY 2013 to Date	FY 2012 to Date	% Change	Total FY 2012
Received	52,319	57,888	-10%	125,429	118,696	6%	899,162
Approved/Oaths	60,622	50,800	19%	130,145	112,122	16%	762,742
Denied	6,160	4,870	26%	11,881	9,458	26%	65,874
Pending	377,429	307,128	23%	377,429	307,128	23%	391,803

Data source: PRT G-22.3¹



The number of pending N-400 cases reached 377,429 in November 2012, an increase of 23 percent compared to the same month in fiscal year 2012.

¹ The Performance Reporting Tool (PRT) is the USCIS System of Record for capturing and reporting field office and service center performance data. The G-22.3 is the PRT data entry worksheet used to collect the monthly Naturalization statistics.