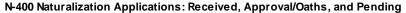
## CHART NAME: NATURALIZATION BENEFITS

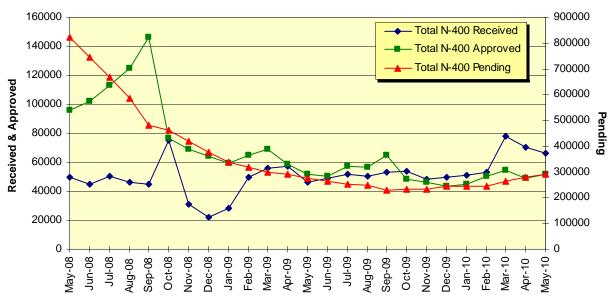
**WHAT IT DISPLAYS:** The below chart provides data on the Applications for Naturalization (Form N-400) received by USCIS for the month of May 2010.

**WHAT IT SHOWS:** Naturalization receipts in May 2010 increased 42 percent when compared to May 2009, while approvals/oaths increased by 1 percent and denials decreased 51 percent.

	Month			Fiscal Year			Total FY
Naturalization Applications	<i>May</i> 2010	<i>May</i> 2009	% Change	FY 2010 to Date	FY 2009 to Date	% Change	2009
Received	66,149	46,529	42%	469,842	366,026	28%	570,442
Approved/Oaths	51,860	51,427	1%	388,186	512,924	-24%	741,982
Denied	4,265	8,789	-51%	37,481	79,550	-53%	109,832
Pending	291,163	276,668	5%	291,163	276,668	5%	230,120

Data source: PAS G-22.3<sup>1</sup>





The number of pending N-400 cases reached 291,163 in May 2010, an increase of 5 percent compared to the same month in fiscal year 2009.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Performance Analysis System (PAS) is the USCIS System of Record for capturing and reporting field office and service center performance data. The G-22.3 is the PAS data entry worksheet used to collect the monthly Naturalization statistics.