

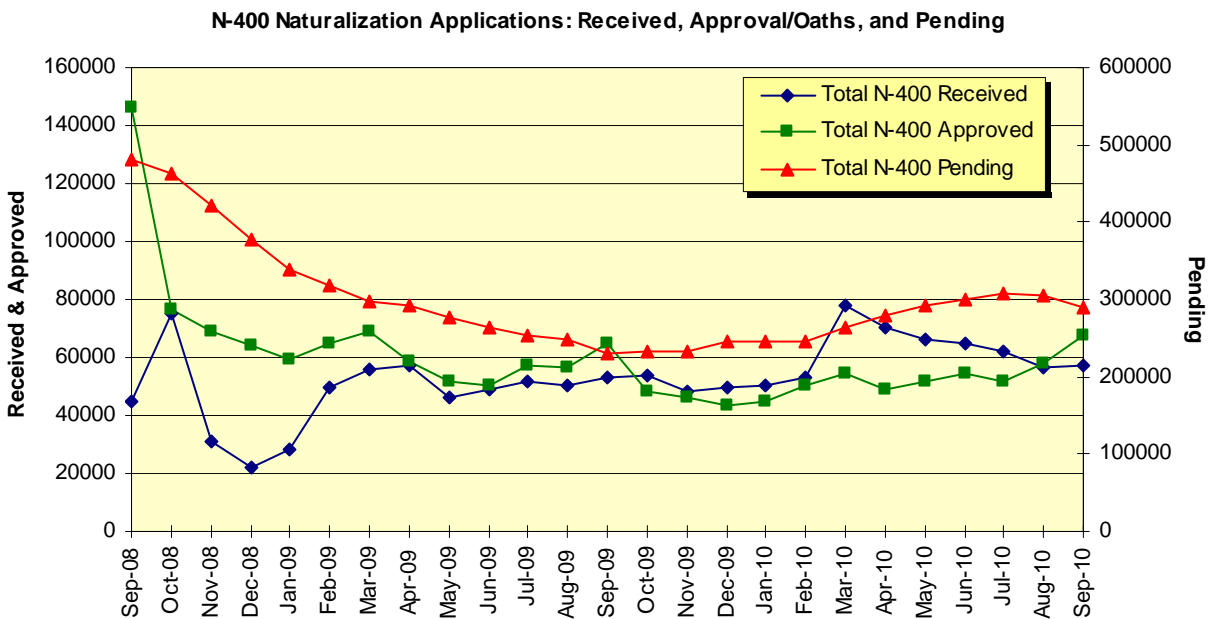
CHART NAME: NATURALIZATION BENEFITS

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

WHAT IT SHOWS: Naturalization receipts in September 2010 increased 7 percent when compared to September 2009, while approvals/oaths increased by 4 percent and denials decreased 25 percent.

Naturalization Applications	Month			Fiscal Year			Total FY 2009
	September 2010	September 2009	% Change	FY 2010 to Date	FY 2009 to Date	% Change	
Received	57,159	53,335	7%	710,545	570,442	25%	570,442
Approved/Oaths	67,407	64,832	4%	619,065	741,982	-17%	741,982
Denied	5,613	7,455	-25%	56,990	109,832	-48%	109,832
Pending	290,480	230,113	26%	290,480	230,113	26%	230,120

Data source: PAS G-22.3¹



The number of pending N-400 cases reached 290,480 in September 2010, an increase of 26 percent compared to the same month in fiscal year 2009.

¹ 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.