

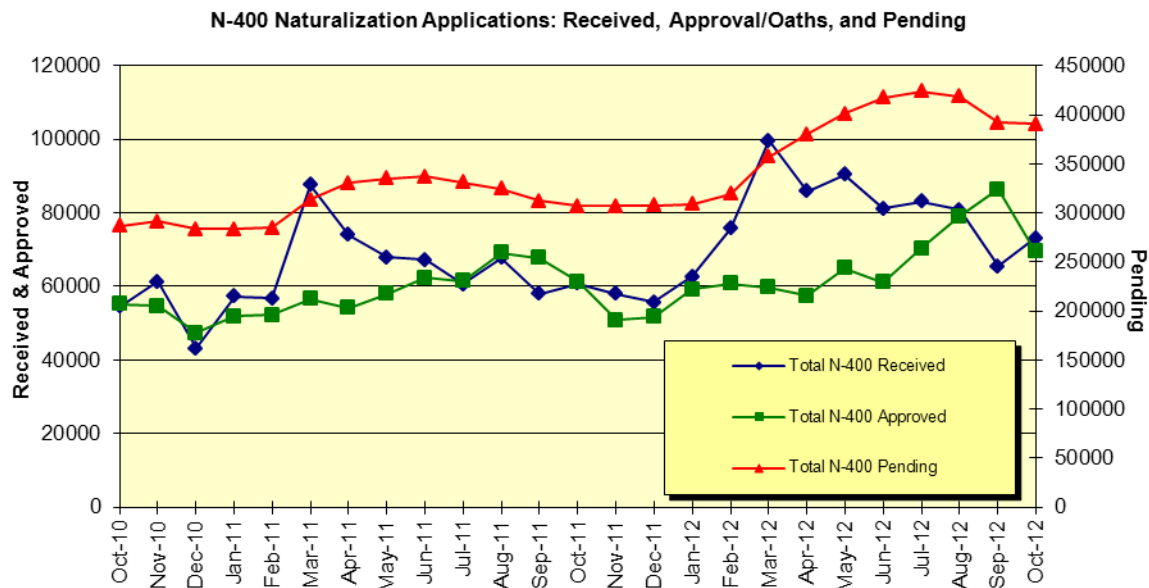
CHART NAME: NATURALIZATION BENEFITS

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

WHAT IT SHOWS: Naturalization receipts in October 2012 increased 20 percent when compared to October 2011, while approvals/oath increased by 13 percent and denials increased 25 percent.

<i>Naturalization Applications</i>	<i>Month</i>			<i>Fiscal Year</i>			<i>Total FY 2012</i>
	<i>October 2012</i>	<i>October 2011</i>	<i>% Change</i>	<i>FY 2013 to Date</i>	<i>FY 2012 to Date</i>	<i>% Change</i>	
Received	73,110	60,808	20%	73,110	60,808	20%	899,162
Approved/Oaths	69,514	61,322	13%	69,514	61,322	13%	762,742
Denied	5,721	4,588	25%	5,721	4,588	25%	65,874
Pending	390,318	307,115	27%	390,318	307,115	27%	391,803

Data source: PRT G-22.3¹



The number of pending N-400 cases reached 390,318 in October 2012, an increase of 27 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.