

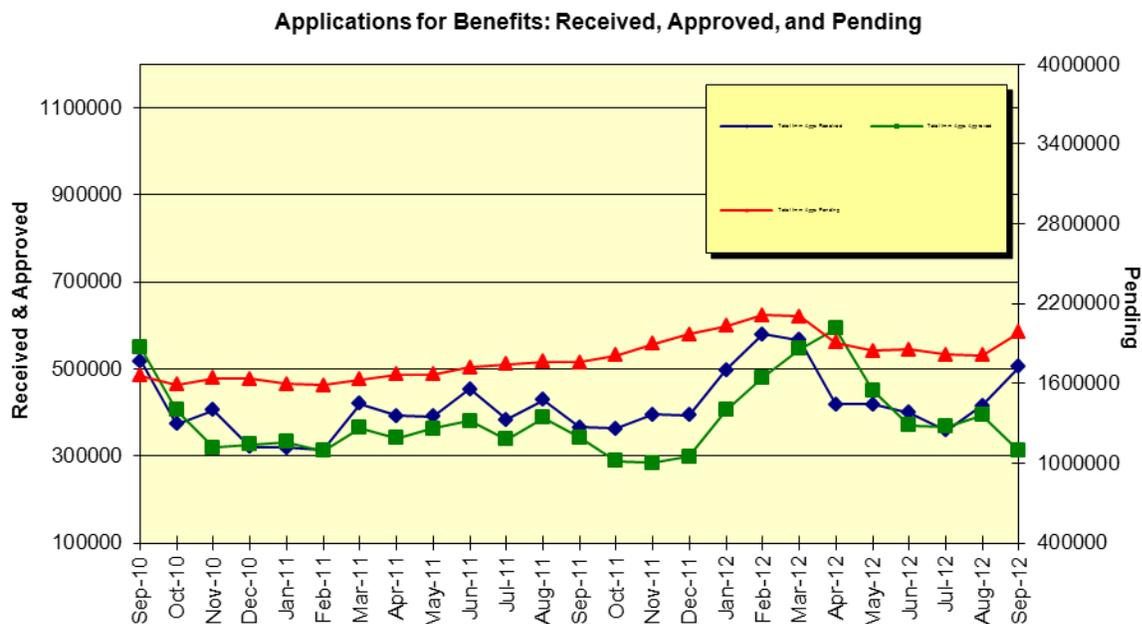
CHART NAME: APPLICATIONS FOR IMMIGRATION BENEFITS

WHAT IT DISPLAYS: The below chart provides data on applications and petitions received by USCIS for immigration benefits in September 2012. This chart excludes all data associated with the citizenship related applications.

WHAT IT SHOWS: Immigration application receipts increased by 38 percent compared to the number received in September 2011. September 2012 approvals decreased by 9 percent, denials decreased by 33 percent, and pending increased by 13% compared to September 2011.

Immigration Applications	Month			Fiscal Year			Total FY 2011
	September 2012	September 2011	% Change	FY 2012 to Date	FY 2011 to Date	% Change	
Received	504,880	365,897	38%	5,310,171	4,564,198	16%	4,564,198
Approved	311,411	342,840	-9%	4,785,295	4,211,170	14%	4,211,170
Denied	26,029	39,052	-33%	369,390	449,271	-18%	449,271
Pending	1,985,622	1,756,213	13%	1,985,622	1,756,213	13%	1,756,213

Data source: PRT G-22.2¹



- Major receipt volumes in September 2012 include: 64,984 I-765 employment authorizations; 53,697 I-130 immediate/all other petitions; 36,802 I-90 green card renewals/replacements; 35,508 I-485 applications to adjust status; 23,947 I-129 forms filed ; 21,991 I-131 travel document/advance parole.
- Major volumes of pending applications at the end of September 2012 include: 652,720 I-130 immediate/all other petitions; 344,301 I-485 applications to adjust status; 128,611 I-751 remove conditions spouse jointly/waive; 112,636 I-765 employment authorizations; 103,237 I-90 green card renewals/replacements; 96,300 I-129 forms filed; 43,278 I-131 travel document/advance parole.

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-22.2 is the PRT data entry worksheet used to collect monthly Immigration Application statistics.