

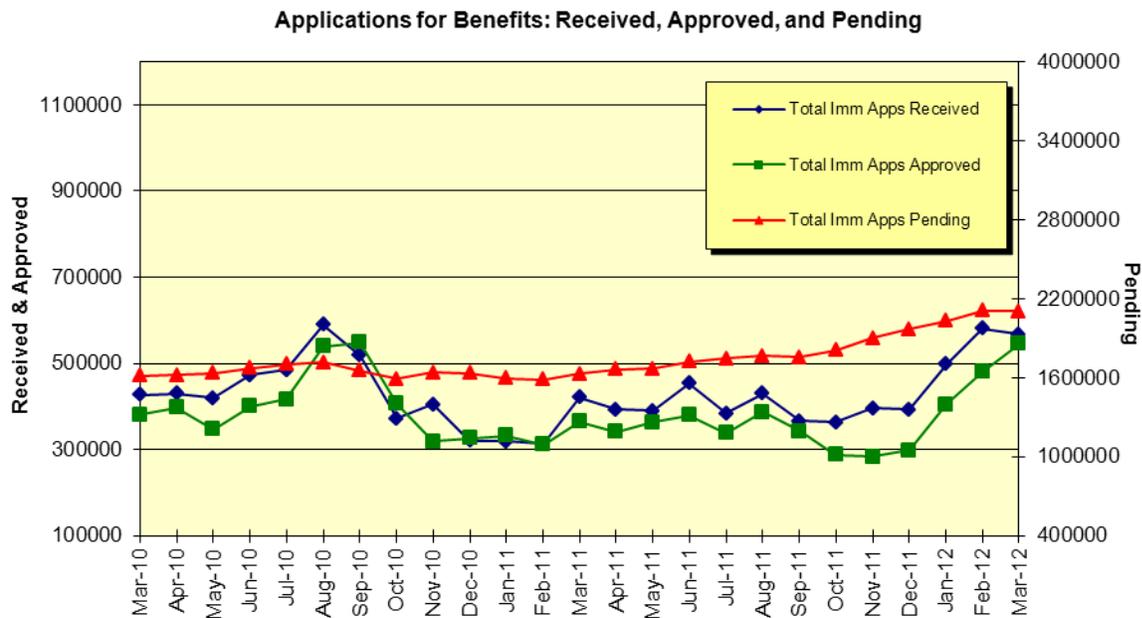
CHART NAME: APPLICATIONS FOR IMMIGRATION BENEFITS

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

WHAT IT SHOWS: Immigration application receipts increased 35 percent compared to the number received in March 2011. March 2012 approvals increased by 50 percent, denials decreased by 21 percent, and pending increased by 29 percent compared to March 2011.

<i>Immigration Applications</i>	<i>March 2012</i>	<i>Month March 2011</i>	<i>% Change</i>	<i>FY 2012 to Date</i>	<i>Fiscal Year FY 2011 to Date</i>	<i>% Change</i>	<i>Total FY 2011</i>
Received	567,961	420,255	35%	2,797,989	2,149,721	30%	4,564,198
Approved	545,274	364,065	50%	2,299,625	2,058,954	12%	4,211,170
Denied	31,154	39,246	-21%	183,167	232,592	-21%	449,271
Pending	2,104,153	1,629,301	29%	2,108,804	1,629,301	29%	1,756,213

Data source: PRT G-22.2¹



- Major receipt volumes in March 2012 include: 162,994 I-765 employment authorizations; 81,552 I-90 green card renewals/replacements; 74,936 I-130 immediate/all other petitions; 64,646 I-821 temporary protected status; 58,246 I-485 applications to adjust status; 39,880 I-131 travel document/advance parole; 23,682 I-129 forms filed.
- Major volumes of pending applications at the end of March 2012 include: 600,171 I-130 immediate/all other petitions; 361,555 I-90 green card renewals/replacements; 358,940 I-485 applications to adjust status; 237,864 I-765 employment authorizations; 138,837 I-821 temporary protected status; 123,510 I-751 remove conditions spouse jointly/waive; 67,051 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.