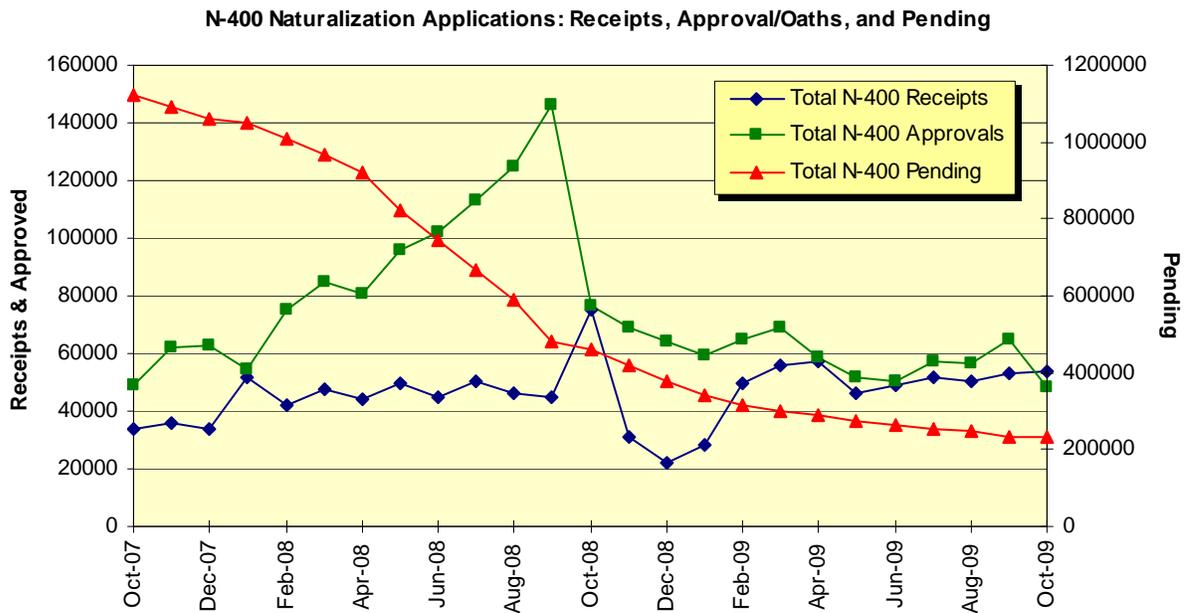


N-400 NATURALIZATION BENEFITS

Naturalization receipts in October 2009 decreased 28 percent when compared to October 2008, while approvals/oaths decreased by 37 percent and denials decreased 66 percent.

	Month			Fiscal Year			Total FY 2009
	October 2009	October 2008	% Change	FY 2010 to Date	FY 2009 to Date	% Change	
Initial Receipts	53,622	74,849	-28%	53,622	74,849	-28%	570,442
Approvals/Oaths	48,343	76,713	-37%	48,343	76,713	-37%	741,982
Denied	4,720	13,827	-66%	4,720	13,827	-66%	109,832
Pending	233,137	462,441	-50%	233,137	462,441	-50%	230,174

Data source: PAS G-22.3



The number of pending N-400 cases reached 233,137 in October 2009, a decrease of 50 percent compared to the same month in fiscal year 2009.

Footnote: "Initial Receipts data only reflects the number of applications that USCIS was able to fee receipt and/or data enter into a case processing system. Applications currently held in USCIS mailroom facilities but not processed to the point of recognition as Initial Receipts are deemed frontlog cases. These frontlog cases are also not reflected in Pending figures."