

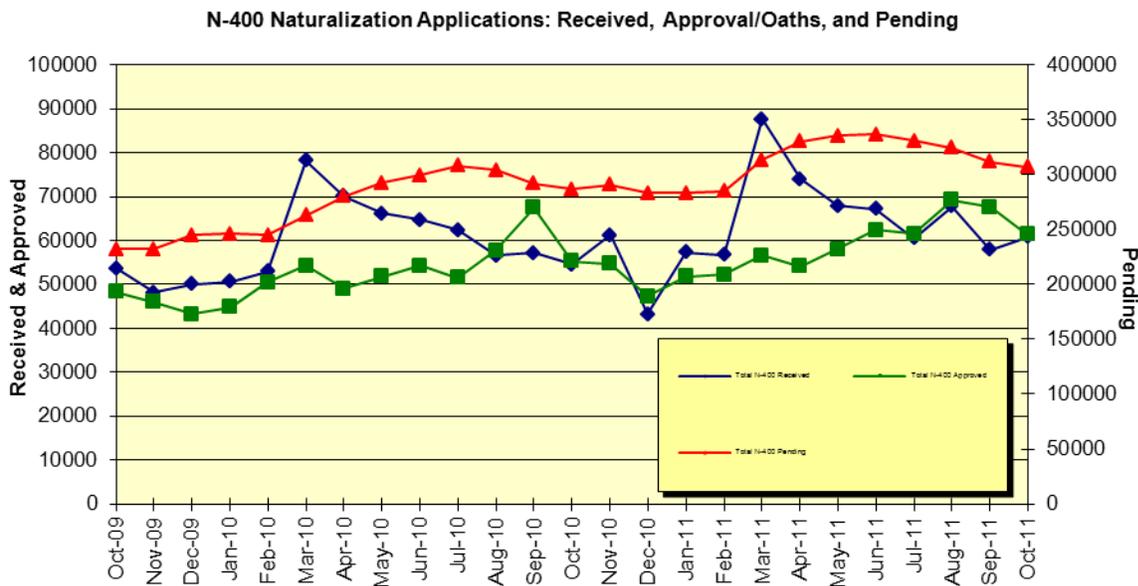
**CHART NAME: NATURALIZATION BENEFITS**

**WHAT IT DISPLAYS:** The below chart provides data on the Applications for Naturalization (Form N-400) received by USCIS for the month of October 2011.

**WHAT IT SHOWS:** Naturalization receipts in October 2011 increased 11 percent when compared to October 2010, while approvals/oaths increased by 11 percent and denials decreased 1 percent.

<i>Naturalization Applications</i>	<i>Month</i>			<i>Fiscal Year</i>			<i>Total FY 2011</i>
	<i>October 2011</i>	<i>October 2010</i>	<i>% Change</i>	<i>FY 2012 to Date</i>	<i>FY 2011 to Date</i>	<i>% Change</i>	
<b>Received</b>	60,808	54,543	11%	60,808	54,543	11%	756,008
<b>Approved/Oaths</b>	61,318	55,256	11%	61,318	55,256	11%	690,705
<b>Denied</b>	4,588	4,626	-1%	4,588	4,626	-1%	57,065
<b>Pending</b>	307,118	286,960	7%	307,118	286,960	7%	311,894

Data source: PRT G-22.3<sup>1</sup>



The number of pending N-400 cases reached 307,118 in October 2011, an increase of 7 percent compared to the same month in fiscal year 2011.

<sup>1</sup> 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.