

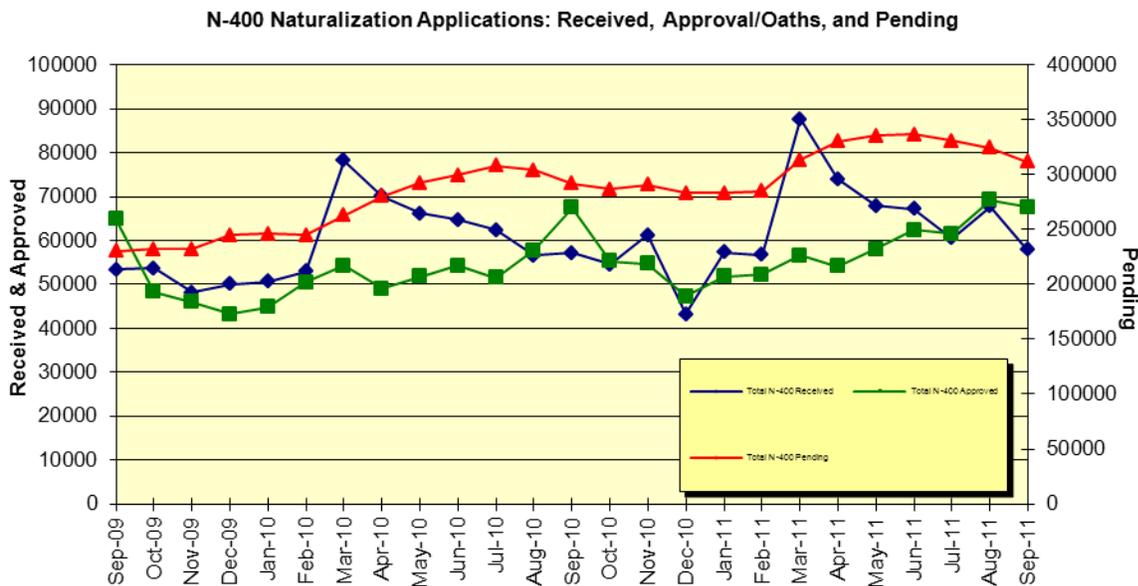
**CHART NAME: NATURALIZATION BENEFITS**

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

**WHAT IT SHOWS:** Naturalization receipts in September 2011 increased 1 percent when compared to September 2010, while approvals/oaths and denials stayed flat.

<i>Naturalization Applications</i>	<i>Month</i>			<i>Fiscal Year</i>			<i>Total FY 2010</i>
	<i>September 2011</i>	<i>September 2010</i>	<i>% Change</i>	<i>FY 2011 to Date</i>	<i>FY 2010 to Date</i>	<i>% Change</i>	
<b>Received</b>	57,906	57,159	1%	756,008	710,544	6%	710,544
<b>Approved/Oaths</b>	67,673	67,407	0%	690,705	619,075	12%	619,075
<b>Denied</b>	5,616	5,613	0%	57,065	56,994	0%	56,994
<b>Pending</b>	311,894	291,833	7%	311,894	291,833	7%	291,833

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



The number of pending N-400 cases reached 311,894 in September 2011, an increase of 7 percent compared to the same month in fiscal year 2010.

<sup>1</sup> The Performance Analysis System (PAS) and 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 PAS and PRT data entry worksheet used to collect the monthly Naturalization statistics.