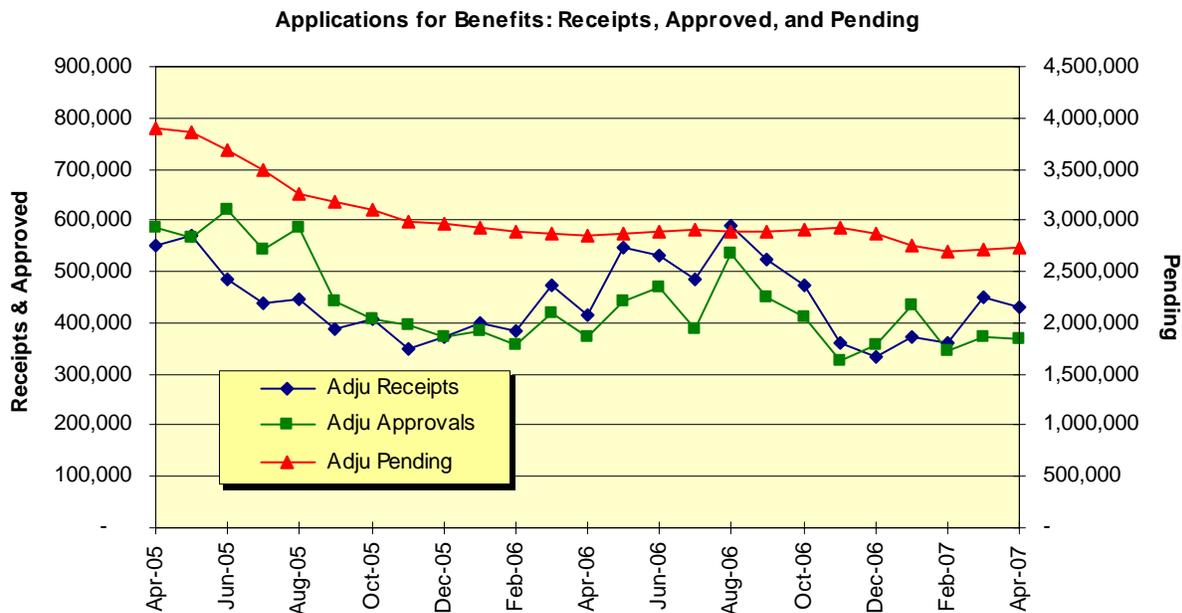


APPLICATIONS FOR IMMIGRATION BENEFITS

Applications and petitions for immigration benefits in April 2007 increased 4 percent compared to the number received in April 2006. April approvals decreased by 1 percent, denials decreased by 34 percent, and pending decreased by 4 percent when compared to April 2006.

	Month			Fiscal Year			Total FY 2007
	Apr-2007	Apr-2006	% Change	FY 2007 to Date	FY 2006 to Date	% Change	
Initial Receipts	431,114	415,737	4%	2,782,836	2,801,249	-1%	5,477,493
Approved	370,330	374,098	-1%	2,612,765	2,708,919	-4%	4,994,755
Denied	43,044	65,384	-34%	347,491	459,573	-24%	804,972
Pending	2,731,098	2,844,173	-4%	2,731,098	2,844,173	-4%	2,888,549

Data source: PAS G-22.2



- Major receipt volumes in April 2007 include: 90,206 I-765 employment authorizations; 39,880 I-130 spouse/relative petitions; 59,266 I-485 applications to adjust status; 52,342 I-90 Green Card renewals/replacements.
- Major volumes of pending applications at the end of April 2007 include: 1,228,079 I-130 spouse/relative petitions; 580,507 applications to adjust status; 212,150 I-765 employment authorizations; 204,891 I-90 Green Card renewals/replacements; 92,355 I-140 immigrant worker petitions.