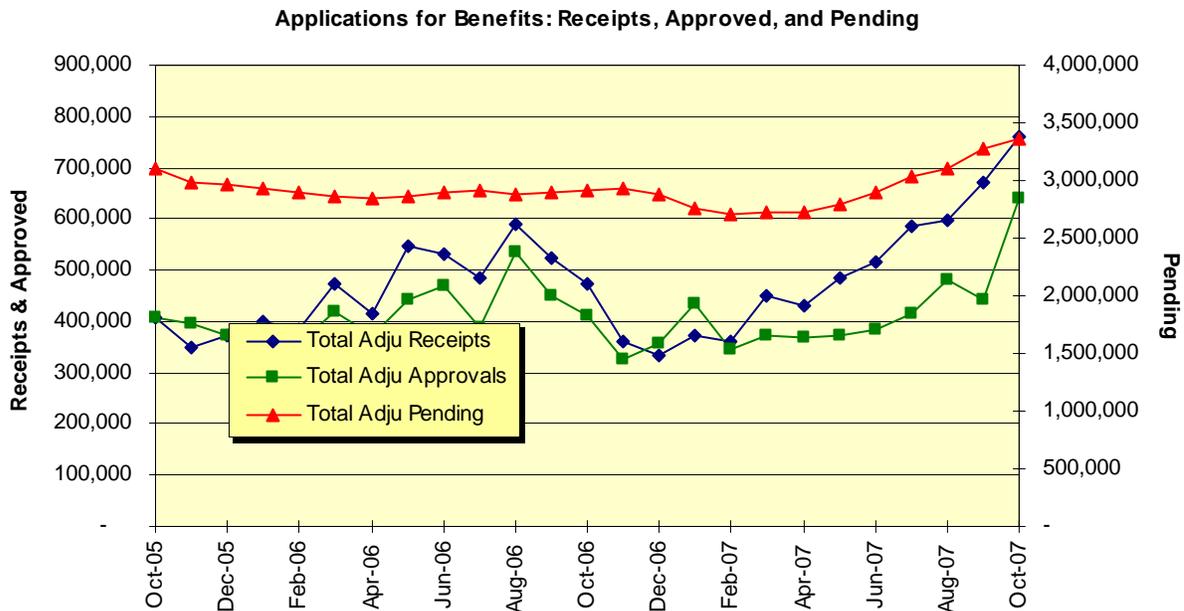


APPLICATIONS FOR IMMIGRATION BENEFITS

Applications and petitions for immigration benefits in October 2007 increased 61 percent compared to the number received in October 2006. October approvals increased by 56 percent, denials increased by 6 percent, and pending increased by 15 percent compared to October 2006.

	<i>Month</i>			<i>Fiscal Year</i>			<i>Total FY 2007</i>
	<i>October 2007</i>	<i>October 2006</i>	<i>% Change</i>	<i>FY 2008 to Date</i>	<i>FY 2007 to Date</i>	<i>% Change</i>	
Initial Receipts	759,255	471,927	61%	759,255	471,927	61%	5,638,370
Approved	639,194	410,608	56%	639,194	410,608	56%	4,710,984
Denied	50,485	47,678	6%	50,485	47,678	6%	581,511
Pending	3,357,113	2,913,102	15%	3,357,113	2,913,102	15%	3,278,853

Data source: PAS G-22.2



- Major receipt volumes in October 2007 include: 248,179 I-765 employment authorizations; 137,915 I-485 applications to adjust status; 86,548 I-131 reentry permit/advance parole; 94,555 I-821 temp protected status petitions.
- Major volumes of pending applications at the end of October 2007 include: 1,343,538 I-130 immediate/all other petitions; 842,231 applications to adjust status; 253,079 I-765 employment authorizations; 193,863 I-131 reentry permit/advance parole; 178,553 I-90 Green Card renewals/replacements.