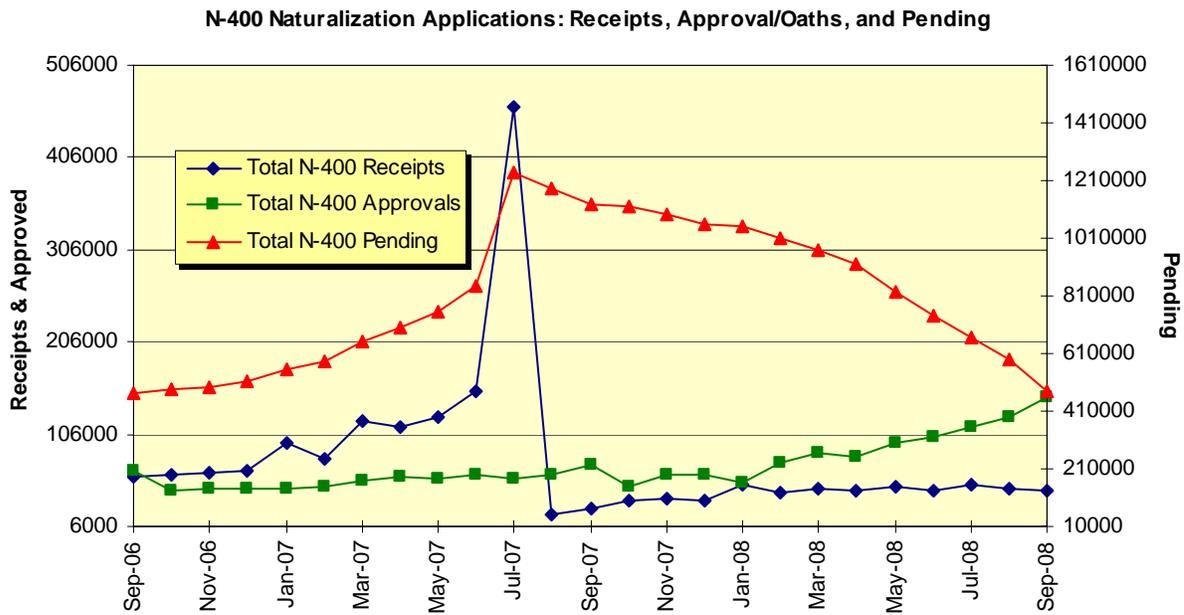


N-400 NATURALIZATION BENEFITS

Naturalization receipts in September 2008 increased 80 percent when compared to September 2007, while approvals/oaths increased by 102 percent and denials increased 66 percent.

	<i>Month</i>			<i>Fiscal Year</i>			<i>Total FY 2007</i>
	<i>September 2008</i>	<i>September 2007</i>	<i>% Change</i>	<i>FY 2008 to Date</i>	<i>FY 2007 to Date</i>	<i>% Change</i>	
Initial Receipts	44,576	24,705	80%	525,786	1,382,993	-62%	1,382,993
Approvals/Oaths	145,925	72,140	102%	1,050,131	659,233	59%	659,233
Denied	14,660	8,854	66%	121,283	89,683	35%	89,683
Pending	480,251	1,128,723	-57%	480,251	1,128,723	-57%	1,128,723

Data source: PAS G-22.3



- The number of pending N-400 cases reached 480,251 in September 2008, a decrease of 57 percent compared to the same month in fiscal year 2007.