

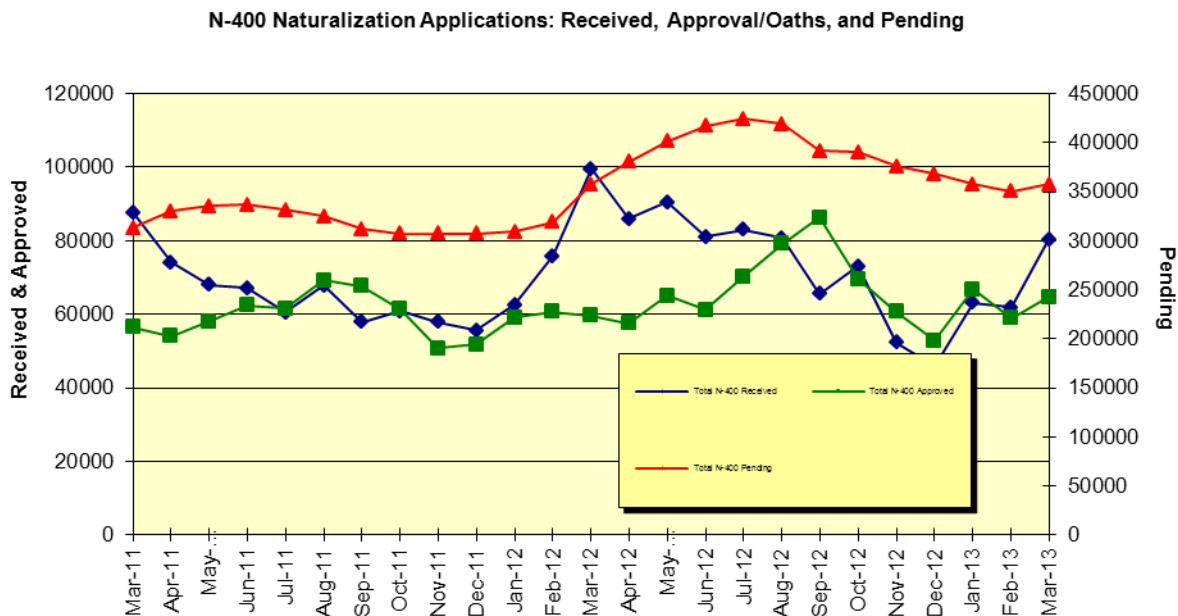
CHART NAME: NATURALIZATION BENEFITS

WHAT IT DISPLAYS: The below chart provides data on the Applications for Naturalization (Form N-400) received by USCIS for the month of March 2013.

WHAT IT SHOWS: Naturalization receipts in March 2013 decreased by 19 percent when compared to March 2012, while approvals/oath increased by 9 percent and denials increased 42 percent.

Naturalization Applications	Month			Fiscal Year			Total FY 2012
	March 2013	March 2012	% Change	FY 2013 to Date	FY 2012 to Date	% Change	
Received	80,329	99,606	-19%	376,718	412,414	-9%	899,162
Approved/Oaths	64,746	59,663	9%	373,431	343,422	9%	762,742
Denied	7,297	5,156	42%	39,651	29,905	33%	65,874
Pending	357,305	357,411	0%	357,305	357,411	0%	391,803

Data source: PRT G-22.3¹



The number of pending N-400 cases reached 357,305 in March 2013, decrease by 106 cases compared to the same month in fiscal year 2012.

¹ 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.