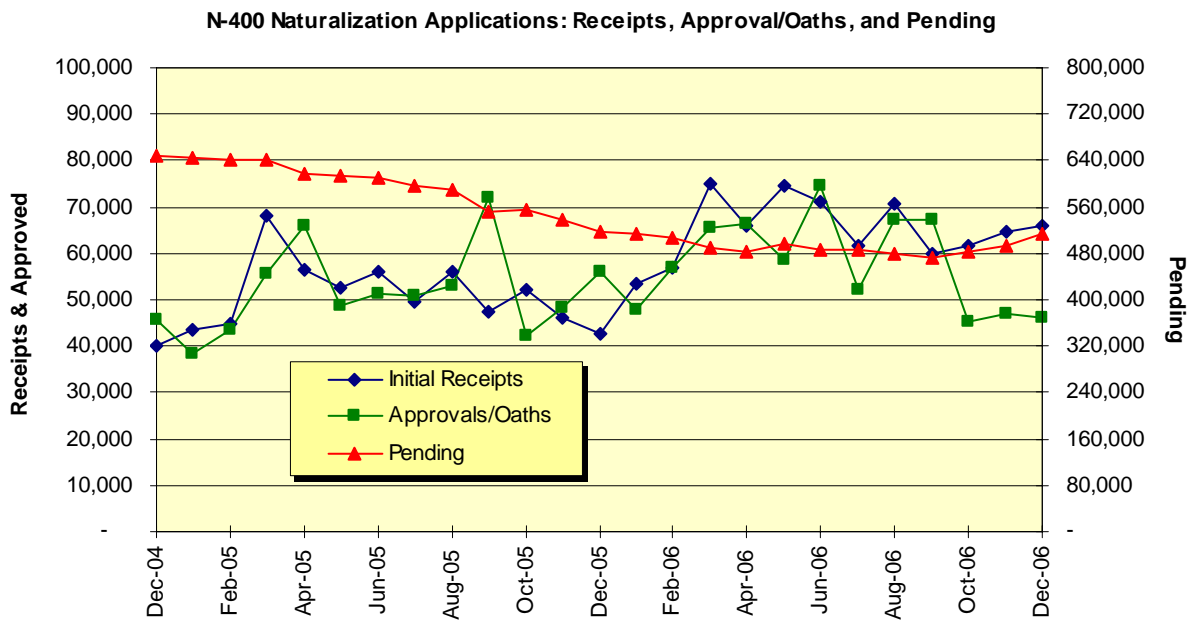


### N-400 NATURALIZATION BENEFITS

Naturalization receipts in December 2006 increased 54 percent when compared to December 2005, while approvals/oaths decreased 18 percent and denials decreased 35 percent.

	Month			Fiscal Year			Total FY 2006
	Dec-2006	Dec-2005	% Change	FY 2007 to Date	FY 2006 to Date	% Change	
<b>Initial Receipts</b>	65,782	42,760	54%	191,993	140,920	36%	730,642
<b>Approvals/Oaths</b>	45,945	56,220	-18%	138,092	146,764	-6%	702,663
<b>Denied</b>	5,719	8,811	-35%	20,766	25,992	-20%	120,722
<b>Pending</b>	512,186	516,535	-1%	512,186	516,535	-1%	473,474

Data source: PAS G-22.3



- The number of pending N-400 cases reached 512,186 in December 2006, a decrease of 1 percent compared to the same month in fiscal year 2006.