Ming Dynasty Courier Routes

Historical Sources for Network Analysis
Ming China Courier Routes for Network Analysis

Source data (Ciolek & Skinner) had conflicting routes
Sources from later periods might introduce new errors
Going back in time to a secondary source for Ming
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From the Ming source (Yang Zheng Tai) a complete base map
The Ming source also has Ming station names
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calculates routes from points selected

http://goo.gl/ljFa17

The Chinese Courier Route System application calculates the total distance between postal stations, the number of postal stations visited, and the number of provinces crossed. You can select a postal station from the pulldown menu or pick it up from the map.

Postal Stations
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Calculate Road  Clear Result

- JINNIUYI
- PUYANGYI

Post Offices: 81
Provinces: 59
Length: 2413.654727 Km