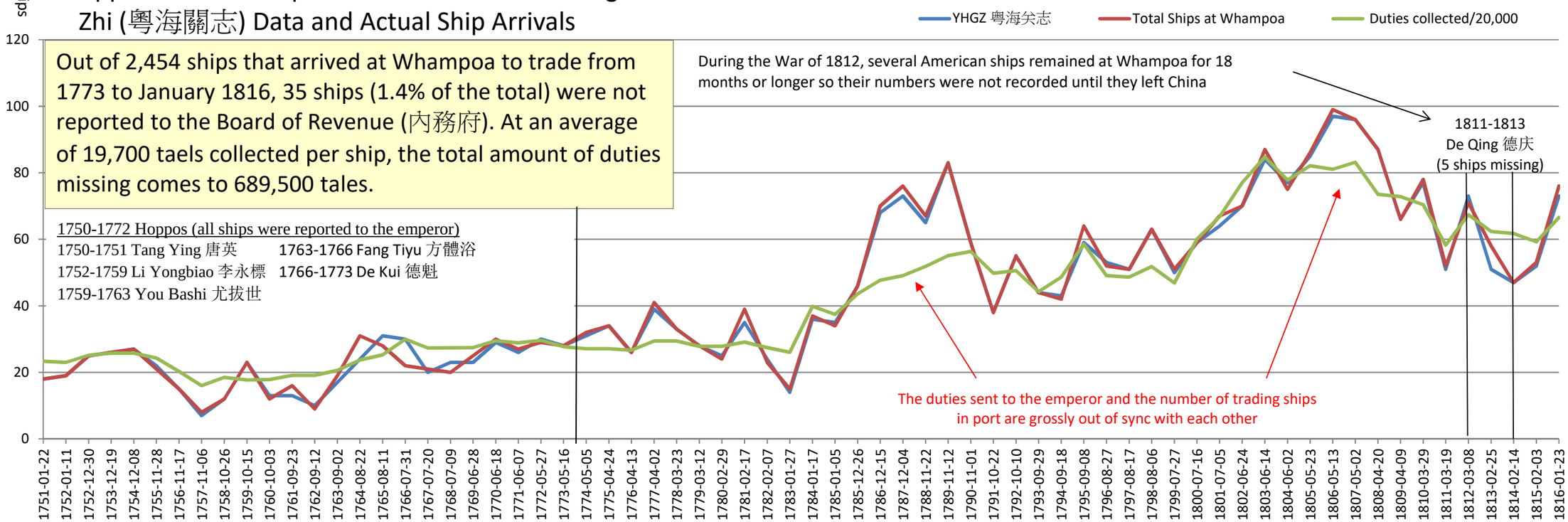
Appendix 1.3: Comparison between the Yuehaiguan Zhi (粵海關志) Data and Actual Ship Arrivals



Out of 2,454 ships that arrived at Whampoa to trade from 1773 to January 1816, 35 ships (1.4% of the total) were not reported to the Board of Revenue (內務府). At an average of 19,700 taels collected per ship, the total amount of duties missing comes to 689,500 tales.

The dates given are the end dates of the annual reports in the 粵海关志 according to the Lunar Calendar. Each period covers approximately 355 days, but with some variations.

The names of several Hoppos are shown with their years in office. An EIC ship arrived on 2 June 1771 which was reported in the next lunar year.