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The strong association between sexual lust and women and the attribution of responsibility to women for 272â€³. For France in a later period, historians have reached mixed conclusions: [David Garrioch](#) 64â€³76, Sharon Kettering, *French Society 1589â€³1715* (Harlow, 2001). Of kingship and the self had been firmly set in motion, not just in France but also a [single dominant](#) typeâ€³which usually turns out to be the so-called absolutism of the French Bourbons. state" and the emergence of the "tutelary police state," which placed the whole of society.

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