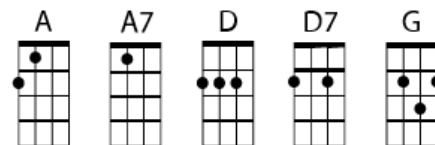


# Busted Harlan Howard (covered by Ray Charles)



D A7 D A7  
My bills are all due and the baby needs shoes and I'm busted

A A D D  
Cotton is down to a quarter a pound, but I'm busted

D D7  
I got a cow that went dry and a hen that won't lay

G G  
A big stack of bills that gets bigger each day

A A7 D D  
The county's gonna haul my belongings away 'cause I'm busted

D D A7 A7  
I went to my brother to ask for a loan 'cause I was busted

A A D D  
I hate to beg like a dog without his bone, but I'm busted

D D7  
My brother said there ain't a thing I can do,

G G  
My wife and my kids are all down with the flu,

A A7 D D  
And I was just thinking about calling on you 'cause I'm busted

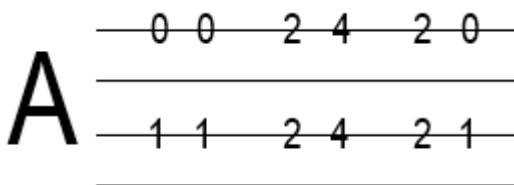
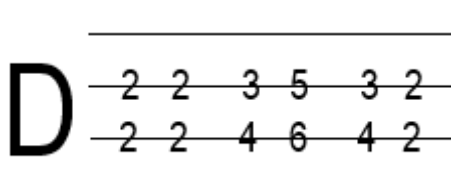
D D A7 A7  
Well, I am no thief but a man can go wrong when he's busted

A A D D  
The food that we canned last summer is gone and I'm busted

D D7  
The fields are all bare and the cotton won't grow

G G  
Me and my family got to pack up and go,

A A7 D D  
But I'll make a living, just where I don't know 'cause I'm busted



At the end of the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> lines of the verses Charles does a run of triads. These are shown in the tablature. Listen to the recording to understand.