

# BUSTED

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[G] My bills are all due and the baby need shoes,  
but I'm [D7] busted. Cotton is down to a quarter  
a pound, and I'm [G] busted.

I got a cow that went dry and a [G7] hen that  
won't lay, a [C] big stack of bills that gets bigger  
each day, the [D7] county will haul my belongings  
away, I'm [G] busted.

I went to my brother to ask for a loan, I was  
[D7] busted. I hate to beg like a dog for a bone,  
but I'm [G] busted.

My brother said "there ain't a [G7] thing I can do,  
my [C] wife and my kids are all down with the flu,  
and [D7] I was just thinking of calling on you,  
I'm [G] busted."

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I am no thief, but a man can go wrong when he's [D7]  
busted. The food that we canned last summer is gone,  
and I'm [G] busted.

The fields are all bare and the [G7] cotton won't grow  
[C] Me and my family gotta pack up and go,  
But [D7] I'll make a living, just where  
I don't know, cause I'm [G] busted.