

# Honky Tonk Blues

Hank Williams

Key: A

Tempo: 152

Intro:

Drum count in, 8 beats, then

E /// E/// E/// A/// A/// (all chords are for full measures, throughout)

Verse 1:

          A  A  
Well, I left my home down on the rural route  
      A                                  A  
I told my paw I'm going steppin' out  
                  D                                  D  
And get the honky-tonk blues  
                  A                                  A  
Yeah, the honky-tonk blues  
              E                                  E  
Well, lord, I got 'em  
              E                  A          A  
I got the ho-on-ky tonk blues

Verse 2:

          A  A  
Well, I went to a dance and I wore out my shoes  
          A  A  
Woke up this mornin' wishin' I could lose  
                  D                                  D  
Them jumpin' honky-tonk blues  
                  A                                  A  
Yeah, the honky-tonk blues  
  
              E                                  E  
Good lord, I got 'em  
              E                                  A  
I got the ho-on-ky tonk blues

Fiddle solo, 1 verse:

A      A      A      A      D      D  
A      A      E      E      E      A

Verse 3:

Well, I stopped into every place in town  
This city life has really got me down  
I got the honky-tonk blues  
Yeah, the honky-tonk blues  
Well, lord I got 'em  
I got the ho-on-ky tonk blues

Verse 4:

When I get home again to Ma & Pa  
I know they're gonna lay down the law  
about the Honky Tonk Blues  
The jumpin' Honky Tonk Blues  
Lord I'm sufferin'  
With the Ho-o-on-ky Tonk Blues

Verse 5:

I'm gonna tuck my worries underneath my arm  
And scat right back to my pappy's farm  
And leave these honky-tonk blues  
Yeah, the honky-tonk blues  
Good lord, I got 'em  
I got the ho-on-ky tonk blues

Playing note:

Please note that there is an "extra" A chord after sung verses which connect, so that they are 13 bars, rather than 12 bars. The verse preceding the fiddle solo, and the fiddle solo itself are 12 bar verses. The others are 13.