Baby Plays Around

Words & Music:
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A        A/G  D                  Dm/F
It's not open-- to discussion anymore;
A        B/D#          E          C#m7
she's out again tonight, and I'm alone once more.
D           Bm7  Bm7-5 C#m7    F#m      B/D#        Bm7   E
She's all I have worth waiting for, but baby plays around.

A         A/G               D/F#             Dm/F
And so it seems I've always been the last to know;
A        B/D#                    C#m7
To hold on to that girl, I had to let her go.
D/F#      Dm/F  C#m7            F#m    B/D#     E11         A
I wish to God I didn't love her so-----, 'cause baby plays around.

A/G        D/F#    A7/E           D   C#m7-5
I try to be strong, hold on to my pride.
Em7        A7              D                D#dim
She doesn't even know it's wrong how much I hurt inside.
Fdim                             F#m   Bm7       Dm
And heaven knows I've tried but ba----by plays around...
Esus4  Fdim
Just a plaything.
Fdim                                 E7
Its hard to reconcile the facts I'm facing.

A        A/G D/F#              Dm/F
It's not open to discussion anymore;
A        B/D#                E            C#m7
She walks those shiny streets, I walk the worn-out floor.
D           Bm7 Bm7-5 C#m7    F#m
She's all I have-- worth living for,
B/D# F6          D      FM7   F7   Em7  B7/D#  Em  Dm7  A  F  A7
Baby plays, baby plays around...
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B/D#   = 0 2 1 4 4 x
B7/D#  = 0 2 0 2 1 x
Bm7-5  = 0 3 2 3 2 0
C#m7-5 = x 4 5 4 5 x or x 2 2 4 2 3 or 0 2 0 0 2 0 or 4 2 0 0 0 0
D#dim  = x 6 7 8 7 x or 11 12 13 11 x x
Fdim   = 1 2 2 3 x x
F6     = 1 x 0 2 1 x
E11    = x 7 7 7 7 7
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